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COVER PICTURE this month shows **Italian** centre forward **Giuseppe Galderisi** — 'Goalderisi' as he is nicknamed — holding off a challenge from **Pietro Vierchowod** in a league match between last season's champions **Verona** and cup-winners **Sampdoria.**

**For the latest from Italy — See Pages 6 and 7.**

ONE FK **Austria** star, **Herbert Prohaska** has announced that he has retired from national team appearances. But club-mate **Tibor Nyilasi,** captain of **Hungary,** has no intention of following that example . . . yet.

**Profile on Nyilasi — See Pages 8 and 9.**

**WALES' goal-scorer Mark Hughes beats the challenge of Alex McLeish in the World Cup showdown with Scotland in Cardiff.**

# WARNING FOR SPAIN

**SPAIN went into their decisive World Cup qualifier against Iceland with a warning from manager Miguel Munoz ringing in their ears.**

The 1-1 draw at Cardiff between Wales and Scotland left the Spaniards with the apparently easy task of merely beating Tony Knapp's Icelanders to clinch a place in the finals in Mexico.

But as Munoz warned, after watching the Cardiff showdown: "On paper winning against Iceland does not look difficult. Our fans all point to the 12 goals we scored against Malta when we had to run up a big win in the last qualifying game in the last European championship.

"But I learned long ago not to take anything for granted and my players must remember that."

Spain went into the Iceland game without experienced goalkeeper Luis Arconada, who will probably miss all the season after suffering a serious knee injury at the start of the domestic league campaign.

Up front, Munoz recalled Emilio Butragueno, the new Real Madrid star who had been resting all summer after suffering a kidney injury in last season's UEFA Cup semi-final against Internazionale.

Butragueno should have had plenty to celebrate against the Icelanders. Real Madrid have just persuaded him to reject approaches from Barcelona and Milan in return for signing a new five-year contract worth £300,000 a season . . . or £1.5 million overall.

Elsewhere in the World Cup, POLAND and CANADA are sure of their places in Mexico. The Poles — third in the finals in 1974 and 1982 — made sure of their ticket with a goalless draw at home to Belgium, who must now play-off against neighbours and old rivals Holland. Canada, meanwhile, qualified for the first time ever thanks to a 2-1 victory over 1982 finalists Honduras.

Back in Europe, England missed a chance to ensure their place in the finals when they were held 1-1 at Wembley by Rumania, while European champions France raised doubts about their own prospects when they lost 2-0 in East Germany.

**How Canada qualified — Page 12**

*JOCK STEIN had a great deal of dignity, incredible integrity and a profound knowledge of the game. — England manager Bobby Robson.*
***SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO 'THE BIG MAN' on Pages 10 and 11***

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# BRAZIL YOUTH

## From STEPHEN DETTRE in Moscow

**A WORLD CUP without atmosphere is about as exciting as watching a ballet performed withou an orchestra: something vital is missing.**

Alas, the recent World Youth Championship in the Soviet Union was such an event. Rarely did one feel that a World Cup was in progress. It was more like a series of totally unconnected games played by touring teams.

Sadly, the lack of colour on the terraces was matched by a lack of colour on the field. Only the Brazilians, who seem to have found the ingredient for success at youth level which has eluded their senior teams for more than a decade, showed any flair.

They blended a hard edge with their velvety skills and were rarely challenged during the two-week tournament, scoring freely with such future stars as Gerson da Silva.

They went through the tournament with a 100 per cent record, beating Spain 1-0 in the final after extra time in a match which summed up the overall lack of sparkle of the whole championship, even allowing for the torrential rain.

### Conditions

It was a game in which the Brazilians' steel won through more than their skills, which were washed away by the rain — the second final out of the last three to be played in such conditions after Sydney in 1981.

Few other teams looked capable of challenging the Brazilians. Pre-tournament favourites Hungary failed to make the quarter-finals after losing out on the toss of the coin with Colombia when they finished exactly level in their group based in Yerevan.

The Soviet hosts were fit, but nervous, and had some distressingly poor strikers who missed goal-mouth chances as often as they missed penalties. The latter cost them a Final place for they lost their semi-final to Spain 4-3 on spot kicks after the match was level 2-2 at full-time.

Brazil reached the Final at the expense of Nigeria, perhaps one of the few teams with a little savoir-faire in the competition.

But maybe it is unfair to lable the other teams, as most were only briefly glimpsed in action by the majority of fans. Soviet television's coverage of the tournament, was, quite simply, woeful. It was restricted to a few badly-filmed clips of some goal-mouth action, obviously shot from somewhere outside the stadium judging by the quality of the pictures, and often interrupted live broadcasts fron the other centres.

### Alphabet

And if you happened to be unable to read the cyrillic alphabet, then you inevitably missed these infrequent and well hidden programmes in the local "TV guides" — just another aspect of the marked lack of internal promotion of the tournament.

In the centres themselves there was a miserable lack of atmosphere: no flags or banners of the competing teams, no soccer paraphernalia, no souvenir stalls.

In fact, in Minsk, about the only sign of any international soccer were a few bland posters stuck up outside the Dynamo stadium telling the local punters the prices of tickets. It all conributed to a depressingly joyless feeling.

***ENGLAND youth boss Dave Sexton said beforehand that he was "delighted to be taking the England team to the Soviet Union ... it will be a great experience for me as well as for the players."***

***But domestic club calls severely weakened Sexton's squad and England bowed out in the first round — drawing 2-2 with Paraguay, losing 2-0 to China and by 1-0 to Mexico.***

***The Paraguayans weren't too happy either. When they returned home it emerged that many of the players were over age . . . and also arrangements had been so slapdash that the entire squad spent one night in a Moscow street because no one had thought to book hotel rooms for them!***

Without wishing to sound too bitter, one can only hope the Soviet Union is never awarded a senior (proper?) World Cup.

Indeed, it is highly unlikely they will be, judging from the comments of FIFA President Joao Havelange. At the Press conference in Minsk on the last day of the group matches he brought wry smiles to the faces of the hassled foreign media contingent and stunned looks to the Soviets when he declared the USSR could have the World Cup — if it could produce 10 to 12 centres with the same internal and external communications facilities (telex, telephone, pictures) transport, organisation and general efficiency as Moscow.

Everyone knew, of course, that give the Soviet's centralised system that would be impossible.

So, no World Cup . . . One hopes.

That was an almighty shock to the Soviets, coming as it did after the collective back-slapping on such a "marvellous job" with even some of the FIFA officials unbelievably feeding their egos.

God only knows what possessed them to say such things. Problems hit everyone right from the outset.

Timetables for the matches were contradictory, teams were hit with bouts of thieving that robbed the Nigerians of some strips, the Australian manager of his press kits, and media everywhere encountered titanic problems in trying to get information out of the country.

Not state secrets, or missile base locations, just simple previews, injury lists and coaches' comments were bogged down in red tape.

The waiting, interrupted calls and bad lines caused frayed tempers not only among journalists, but also among the teams who were unable to get calls home for their players or for managers wanting to report to base. Press centres rapidily became potential scenes of international conflict.

Facilities for the teams were generaly good, if spartan. They were lavished with food and attention, even if they had very little to occupy their time.

In Minsk the teams were stuck outside the city in an Olympic training village, miles from anywhere and, as one Australian player put it, "surrounded by bloody forests as far as you can see".

Much to FIFA's shame the media facilities weren't so good, and running "repairs" had to be carried out by the FIFA representatives on hand, negotiating the media's demands with stern-faced Soviet officials.

In Minsk, Heinz Marozcky performed what one diplomat caled "a three-day miracle" — he got the Australian media reverse charge telephone calls back home, something diplomats swear even the embassy can't manage.

Quite often reporters and television crews became embroiled in such long arguments trying to get facilities, it became hard to concentrate on the football.

### Senior

Not that it was all that gripping. After the first day it became clear than once again too many people had predicted results in the tournament by going on senior teams' reputations.

They consistently fail to realise that at this age level there is far much more equality.

Both England and Hungary threw away victories against Paraguay and Colombia after leading by two goals, and of the pre-tournament favourites only Brazil loomed as real danger.

The Soviets wasted enough chances against Australia to win this tournament and the next, with Ketashvili and Ivanauskas missing from in front. The Aussies then shook the Soviets in the last ten minutes when National League regular Kalantzis, Hristodoulou and Spink all wasted golden chances. Hristodoulou, 18, left the field at the end in tears and the Soviet fans left the stadium in a similar state after a 0-0 draw.

China lost heavily 3-1 to Mexico in Baku, but then bounded back with victories against England and Paraguay to make the quarter-finals. That was really when

# ZIL WIN H FINAL

the action and the interest began, though a couple of the last round matches started to make the heart beat a little faster.

Hungary's 1-1 draw with Bulgaria left them level with Colombia who beat the disappointing Tunisia . . . and then the Hungarians, European champions, lost out on the coin toss.

Australia incredibly, threw away their chance for a quarter-final spot after leading Nigeria by 2-0 after 40 minutes. Needing to win to move through they seemed to have it in the bag, but then the Africans went berserk and scored three in the seond period.

If any team had a chance of upsetting the Brazilians it was they. Totally unpredictable, they could play distressingly drab football, then explode with unbelievable one-touch passing to slice through defences almost at will . . .like their younger team who won the New World Under-16 title in China a month earlier.

In the Baku quarter-final they upended Mexico 2-1 before falling to Brazil — who were just too good.

Perhaps one of the most disappointing aspects of the whole tournament was the way in which so many sides were bogged down in a mire of tactical formations. It was obvious that some teams were inadequately equipped to handle those formations, which is an indictment of the coaches in charge.

With the boasting ringing in everyone's ears of the high standard and vibrancy of the Under-16 World Cup, the fare on view in the Soviet Union looked even sadder. Few teams played with much joy — perhaps the Brazilians and the Nigerians, maybe the Chinese.

The Spaniards certainly had no desire to watch anyone tango past them, and their tackling was as ruthless and efficient as any of the senior professionals in their country.

Some of the "also rans" were well drilled and proved that a team which is fit, can concentrate for long enough and sticks to a game plan can frustrate opponents to the point of despair.

While in China the mood was of attack, with scores such as West Germany's 4-3 semi-final victory over Brazil, the Soviet drabness seemed to infuse the teams with an equaly dull attitude.

## Referees

Once again that age-old bugbear of refereeing standards raised its head. Actually, most referees did competent jobs: it was in the linesmen that the problems arose. Why FIFA insists on turning excellent referees into substandard linesmen is beyond comprehension.

Most of these men probably have not run a line for years, and if anyone honestly believes a two-week training camp can erase the habits of years they need only to have watched several matches where there were quite literally three referees and no linesmen in charge.

An abundance of dubious off-side decisions was the clearest signal that something needs to be done fast to solve this worry.

One of the most intriguing aspects of the tournament was the tremendous emphasis the Soviets put on crowd control. It became farcical at times.

In the last match in Minsk, there were some 5,000 people watching the Australian-Nigeria clash — but at least 3,500 of them were police or military.

Their presence tended to make one more nervous than usual: Why were they there?

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Were they really expecting the 1,500 others to rise up in anger, or were there fears of some sort of terrorist attack?

Visiting suporters of course were a rarity — though isolated bands did appear on the stands to cheer on their 'lads'. Nigeria's Flying Eagles had a boisterous contingent of unbelievably loyal supporters, who were caught in the Soviet Union as a coup hit their homeland (not the ideal place to appeal for asylum).

A lone Canadian, the father of one of the squad, was smuggled into all matches by the Australian media, making a mockery of the security ringing the stadiums.

Unlike the China tournament, where teams inter-mingled in a true sporting atmosphere, the Soviet competition was far too serious, without the skill of the seniors to warrant it.

One fears that the Youth Championship is being caught in a barren middle ground. It has become a useful springboard for grooming senior team players but is not sufficiently exciting to whet the appetites of the soccer public.

Perhaps a tournament every two years is already starting to become too much. Or perhaps it was the unfortunate choice of the Soviet Union that dulled this FIFA jewel.

One hopes the next one is polished up.

**Group A:** Hungary 2, Colombia 2 — Tunisia 0, Bulgaria 2 — Hungary 2, Tunisia 1 — Columbia 1, Bulgaria 1 — Hungary 1, Bulgaria 1 — Colombia 2, Tunisia 1. **Points:** Bulgaria 4, Hungary 3, Colombia 3, Tunisia 0 (colombia qualify for quarter-finals on lots).

**Group B:** Rep. Ireland 1, Brazil 2 — Saudi Arabia 0, Spain 0 — Rep. Ireland 0, Saudi Arabia 1 — Brazil 2, Spain 0 — Rep. Ireland 2, Spain 4 — Brazil 1, Saudia Arabia 0. **Points:** Brazil 6, Spain 3, Saudi Arabia 3, Rep. Ireland 0.

**Group C;** Soviet Union 0, Australia 0 — Nigeria 2, Canada 0 — Soviet Union 2, Nigeria 1 — Australia 0, Canada 0 — Soviet Union 5, Canada 0 — Nigeria 3, Australia 2. **Points:** Soviet Union 5, Nigeria 4, Australia 2, Canada 0.

**Group D:** England 2, Paraguay 2 — China 1, Mexico 3 — China 2, England 0 — Mexico 2, Paraguay 0 — Mexico 1, England 0 — China 2, Paraguay 1. **Points:** Mexico 6, China 4, England 1, Paraguay 1.

**Quarter-finals:** Soviet Union 1, China 0 — Mexico 1, Nigeria 2 — Bulgaria 1, Spain 2 — Brazil 6, Colombia 0.

**Semi-finals:** Brazil 2, Nigeria 0 — Spain 1, Soviet Union 1 (4-3 penalties). **Third place:** Nigeria 0, Soviet Union 0 (3-1 penalties).

**Moscow — Final (Lenin Stadium)**

**Brazil 1** (Henrique 92)

**Spain** 0

**HT:** 0-0. **90 min:** 0-0. **Att:** 451,000. **Ref:** Syme (Scotland).

**Brazil:** Claudio — Luciano, Luis Carlos, Henrique, Joao Antonio, Dida, Silas (Janivaldo 116), Tostin, Gerson (Antonio 110), Miller, Balalo.

**Spain:** Unzue — Lazarralde, Arozarena, Tirado, Mendiondo — Garcia (Ali Amar 76), Fernando Gomez, Gay Lopez, Paz Marin — Losada, Goicoechea (Francis 65).

**ENGLAND SQUAD**

| *Name* | *Club* | *Date of birth* |
|---|---|---|
| Perry Suckling | Coventry City | 12.10.65 |
| Terry Howard | Chelsea | 26.2.66 |
| Michael Thomas | Arsenal | 24.8.67 |
| Gary Stebbing | Crystal Palace | 11.8.65 |
| John Beresford | Manchester City | 4.9.66 |
| David Corner | Sunderland | 15.5.66 |
| Richard Cooke | Tottenham | 4.9.65 |
| Paul Moulden | Manchester City | 6.9.67 |
| Robert Wakenshaw | Everton | 22.12.65 |
| Gary Cooper | Queen's Park Rangers | 20.11.65 |
| Paul Atkinson | Sunderland | 19.1.66 |
| Nicky Wood | Manchester United | 11.1.66 |
| Derick Williams | Reading | 5.10.65 |
| Franz Carr | Notingham Forest | 24.9.66 |
| Mark Stein | Luton | 29.1.66 |
| Darren Heyes | Nottingham Forest | 11.1.67 |
| Philip Priest | Chelsea | 9.9.66 |
| Simon Ratcliffe | Manchester United | 23.4.67 |

KEIR RADNEDGE on the new

# Ruthless Juve sell to survi

**IT could only happen it Italy — that a club which has just won the European Champions' Cup should promptly sell off three of their finest players and perhaps their best reserve.**

But that is what Juventus have been up to this summer. The fact that they finally achieved the Agnelli family's European football dream — albeit in horrific circumstances — was offset to some degree by the inconsistent attempt to defend the domestic league crown.

The Agnelli family have not built their fortune and the Fiat motor corporation without employing a ruthless streak. Similarly with Juventus. Someone had to pay the price. In this case Zbigniew Boniek, Paolo Rossi, Marco Tardelli and 1984 Cup-winners' Cup final hero Beniamino Vignola.

Not any old players, these. Boniek, Rossi and Tardelli are among the most famous in the world game.

Boniek had to go because for all his vital goals in European competition, he hasn't been able to produce the goods often enough in the league; also, Juventus had to find a place for young Michael Laudrup, the so-promising Dane whose two-year loan spell with relegated Lazio had — much to his own relief — finally come to an end.

Rossi, for all his World Cup-winning genius in Spain three years ago, had also suffered a poor season. To suit the tactical plans of coach Giovanni Trapattoni he had often found himself shunted out to the right wing and he resented not only this but the fact that he was generally the first player to be substituted in any match.

His move to Milan, to link up again with the president, Giussi Farina, who had been a father-figure when he rose to stardom in the late 1970s with Vicenza, was no surprise. What did come as a shock to Milan was the discovery on arrival that Rossi was suffering from knee trouble and would miss the first month of the new league campaign. Did Juventus know? They say not. But then, considering that Rossi had had three cartilages removed by the age of 18, his knees are obviously not his strongest feature.

The third travelling superstar, Tardelli, was by no means a misfit in Juve's eyes. But he felt he had spent long enough in Turin and made his feelings clear long before the end of the season. The fact that ultimately he teamed up with Karl-Heinz Rummenigge and Liam Brady at Internazionale owed much to the negotiating skills of Juve president Giampiero Boniperti.

He hadn't wanted to lose Tardelli but wasn't prepared to buy his continued loyalty at any price. Also, in the convoluted way of Italian football, the striker coveted by Juve as replacement for Rossi belonged to Inter — even though he had been playing for Juve's neighbours Torino.

Still with me? The striker in question is Aldo Serena, a lively and mobile attack leader who had been on loan to Torino. Now, as part of the Tardelli sale, his loan has been assigned by Inter to Juventus. Boniperti thinks this is an excellent deal. Torino fans disagree and Juventus supporters aren't too happy either.

As for Serena, he was reduced to tears on learning of his switch across Turin.

But such cases will soon be in the past. The Italian football authorities have been gradually introducing freedom of contract over the past three years. No longer can players be bought and sold like cattle in the big Milan hotels — as has been the practice with every close-seson transfer market over the past 30 years.

Now the players will have a greater say in their futures and the clubs' freedom to send footballers out on loan to help 'finance' deals has been drastically curtailed.

Up until now the players have danced to the clubs' tune; now the boot is on the other foot. Already that promises a lot of trouble ahead if the example set by the headstrong Brazilians Socrates and Paulo Roberto Falcao is to become the vogue.

Around 18 months ago, Falcao could do no wrong. On the field he had inspired Roma to their first league title in 42 years and then into the Champions' Cup final. But that defeat at the hands of Liverpool in a penalty shoot-out in front of Falcao's own Roman fans proved the beginning of the end.

## Surgery

He had a poor game just when it mattered most. It turned out he had been carrying a knee injury and off he went to the United States for surgery. The papers and magazines were full of gossip about the nightclubs and the girls, the lucrative advertising contracts and the extra-long convalescence at home in Brazil. But football was not, apparently, high on Falcao's list of priorities.

Roma summoned him for medical checks; he ignored the summons. So Roma president Dino Viola signed Boniek from Juventus and applied to the federation for the cancellation of Falcao's contract.

Falcao had since returned to Italy and his non-appearnace for the specialists earlier was hardly ground enough for contract termination. But somehow — to everyone's amazement — Roma won their case. Falcao, furious, stormed off back to Brazil and flirted with the possiblity of a transfer to Fiorentina before signing a one-year deal with Sao Paulo.

Five major corporations raised the cash; Falcao is costing the Brazilian club's backers around £1 million for a mere year's service: £600,000 for Roma and £400,000-plus for the player. Falcao says that after the World Cup he hopes to find another club in Italy. But the chances are slim. Brazilians are proving bad news.

When Brazil's 1982 World Cup skipper, Socrates, signed with Fiorentina a year ago it appeared a dream partnership. An artistic player perfectly suited for an artistic team in an artistic city. But the move was a disaster. Socrates in the league was a dismal shadow of the proud fulcrum of Brazil's 1982 World Cup team.

Socrates protested that his team-mates deliberately refused to pass him the ball. The other players resented the fuss made about him because he was interested in politics and was a qualified doctor. Neither of those attributes were worth anything in terms of goals and now he is poised to return home to join Zico at Flamengo.

The attitude problem was summed up most aptly by the controversial Italo Allodi, who was briefly general manager with the Florence club. He said: "How can anyone hope to build a team here? There is a boy like Eralso Pecci (occasional Italian international midfielder) who gives up a basic food such as spaghetti to control his weight . . . and yet, every time you see a picture of this Brazilian, he is smoking a cigarette or holding a beer can."

No wonder Fiorentina are not rated highly among potential championship challengers this season.

Allodi, of course, is now administrative supremo at Napoli. Argentine star Diego Maradona received his Footballer of the Year Award (from the magazine Guerin Sportivo) before the opening game of the season but it will take a lot of change — attitude again the key word — if Napoli the club are to collect a prize at the end of term.

In the past it's been the fans whose volatility has proved an embarrassment. Now the players are at it, too. Internationals Salvatore Bagni (Italy) and Daniel Bertoni (Argentina) were both sent off in pre-season games and when it was feared that Maradona might need a cartilage operation the entire city almost came to a standstill.

The need for an opertion has now been discounted. The more cynical here have suggested instead that it is more likely a means whereby Napoli can justify to release Maradona for any pre-World Cup warm-up matches planned by Argentina.

Last season was the year of the underdog in Italy, with Verona winning the league and Sampdoria beating Milan in the cup final. For these clubs their respective triumphs marked a first-ever major prize. When it comes to the title defences, Samp-

## the new season in Italy

# Juventus urvive

| Player | Pos. | From | To | Fee (£) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| GIANFRANCO MATTEOLI | M | Como | Sampdoria | 3.75m |
| PIETRO FANNA | OR | Verona | Internazionale | 3.3m |
| BRUNO GIORDANO | CF | Lazio | Napoli | 2.2m |
| BENIAMINO VIGNOLA | MF | Juventus | Verona | 1.9m |
| VINICIO VERZA | MF | Milan | Verona | 1.4m |
| ZBIGNIEW BONIEK | ST | Juventus | Roma | 1.1m |
| PAOLO ROSSI | CF | Juventus | Milan | 950,000 |
| GORDON COWANS | MF | Aston Villa | Bari | 900,000 |
| PAUL RIDEOUT | CF | Aston Villa | Bari | 900,000 |
| JUAN BARBAS | MF | Zaragoza (Sp) | Lecce | 750,000 |
| PAULO FALCAO | MF | Roma | Sao Paulo FC | 650,000 |

doria look more resilient than Verona.

The champions still have Denmark's Preben Elkjaer up front and newly-crowned West German Footballer of the Year Hans-Peter Briegel in midfield and/or defence. Tricella is an accomplished sweeper and Galderisi a lively spearhead. But stopper Luciano Maragon has moved on while balding right winger Pietro Fanna — one-time Juventus discovery who provided Verona with width in attack and a vital element of surprise — has joined Inter.

No wonder national manager Enzo Berzot is repeating his forecast from this time last year that, on paper, Inter must be favourites to land their first league title in six years.

Inter appear to have greater class and experience than neighbours Milan, for whom coach Nils Liedholm has been using the media to try to gain refereeing sympathy for that poorly-treated, hard-done-by (so Liedholm claims) centre-forward Mark Hateley. But Italian observers' interest in Milan this season will extend beyond Hateley and Ray Wilkins to a new young defender or midfielder named Paolo Maldini.

The son of Milan's 1963 European Cup-winning captain Cesare Maldini, this 17-year-old is proof that for all the foreigners around, Italy can still produce gifted players of their own.

All that is heartening for Bearzot. The federation have let it be known that he will be offered a contract to take him up to the 1990 European championship finals. But Bearzot has been around long enough to know that such good intentions can easily melt away in the heat of failure.

And Bearzot is in the tight situation of knowing that anything less than victory in the World Cup finals in Mexico next June will, of course, be failure by the highest standards he helped set in Madrid three years ago.

It's an intriguing thought, but Mexico '86 could be Italy's last chance to win the World Cup. If European politicians win their insistence on an 'open door' Common Market transfer system, then the power of the football lire and the acquisitive nature of Italy's clubs could well permanently stifle domestic talent.

The big clubs would be all right — Juventus, Milan, Inter. But what price a national game dominated by foreign imports? The recent controversies surrounding Zico, Socrates and Falcao do not augur well for the long-term health of the game in Italy.

### ALL-TIME FIRST DIVISION RECORDS

| | Sns | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Juventus | 54 | 1760 | 920 | 494 | 346 | 3117 | 1764 | 2334 |
| 2. Internazionale | 54 | 1760 | 856 | 505 | 399 | 3016 | 1833 | 2217 |
| 3. AC Milan | 52 | 1700 | 778 | 512 | 410 | 2824 | 1863 | 2068 |
| 4. AC Torino | 53 | 1726 | 705 | 534 | 487 | 2469 | 1949 | 1944 |
| 5. AC Fiorentina | 51 | 1642 | 674 | 498 | 470 | 2262 | 1819 | 1846 |
| 6. FC Bologna | 51 | 1656 | 649 | 523 | 484 | 2325 | 1889 | 1816 |
| 7. AS Roma | 53 | 1716 | 643 | 530 | 543 | 2300 | 1990 | 1816 |
| 8. SS Napoli | 48 | 1546 | 558 | 505 | 483 | 1899 | 1773 | 1620 |
| 9. SS Lazio | 46 | 1492 | 495 | 450 | 545 | 1885 | 1961 | 1444 |
| 10. Genoa 1893 | 35 | 1148 | 367 | 340 | 441 | 1480 | 1642 | 1074 |
| 11. Sampdoria | 34 | 1122 | 335 | 367 | 419 | 1312 | 1483 | 1034 |
| 12. Atalanta | 32 | 1062 | 293 | 360 | 409 | 1109 | 1396 | 946 |
| 13. Triestina | 27 | 900 | 261 | 275 | 364 | 1027 | 1312 | 797 |
| 14. Lanerossi Vicenza | 26 | 842 | 253 | 256 | 333 | 863 | 1065 | 762 |
| 15. AS Bari | 19 | 632 | 174 | 166 | 292 | 597 | 984 | 514 |
| 16. Cagliari | 16 | 492 | 158 | 187 | 147 | 513 | 484 | 503 |
| 17. Udinese | 17 | 562 | 155 | 189 | 218 | 675 | 839 | 499 |
| 18. Palermo | 18 | 594 | 163 | 162 | 269 | 584 | 881 | 488 |
| 19. SPAL Ferrara | 16 | 544 | 151 | 168 | 225 | 556 | 721 | 470 |
| 20. Padova | 14 | 492 | 163 | 123 | 206 | 632 | 763 | 449 |
| 21. US Livorno | 13 | 432 | 133 | 115 | 184 | 532 | 723 | 381 |
| 22. Alessandria | 13 | 440 | 136 | 109 | 195 | 564 | 720 | 381 |
| 23. AC Verona | 14 | 424 | 112 | 156 | 156 | 432 | 513 | 380 |
| 24. Modena | 12 | 402 | 123 | 112 | 167 | 459 | 574 | 358 |
| 25. Brescia | 13 | 418 | 118 | 116 | 184 | 423 | 575 | 352 |
| 26. Novara | 12 | 408 | 126 | 96 | 186 | 510 | 640 | 348 |
| 27. Pro Patria | 12 | 430 | 118 | 102 | 210 | 526 | 784 | 338 |
| 28. Venezia | 10 | 324 | 78 | 90 | 156 | 334 | 502 | 246 |
| 29. Lucchese | 8 | 282 | 80 | 84 | 118 | 347 | 470 | 244 |
| 30. Catania | 9 | 298 | 76 | 91 | 131 | 282 | 437 | 243 |
| 31. Ascoli | 9 | 270 | 66 | 110 | 94 | 223 | 287 | 242 |
| 32. Como | 8 | 268 | 81 | 68 | 119 | 288 | 377 | 230 |
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| 42. Casale | 4 | 136 | 33 | 24 | 79 | 149 | 297 | 90 |
| 43. SC Pisa | 3 | 90 | 17 | 35 | 38 | 73 | 106 | 69 |
| 44. Lecce | 3 | 102 | 19 | 31 | 52 | 84 | 159 | 69 |
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# THE HUNGARIA

## Player Profile on Tibor Ny

**HUNGARIAN captain Tibor Nyilasi has been one of world football's outstanding talents for almost ten years now, and is eagerly looking forward to his third World Cup next summer.**

Nyilasi is a tall, creative midfielder who can, as a valuable bonus, finish as clinically as any of the game's top strikers.

The 30-year-old Magyar is really any coach's dream player, for he can be used either as the central midfield playmaker or as an orthodox centre-forward. But he's at his brilliant best when given the freedom to be both and neither at the same time. Then, he's simply everywhere: one minute back deep looking to play a defence-splitting pass to one of his forwards, the next rifling a powerful shot into the back of the net himself.

Nyilasi, in truth, is neither a midfielder nor a forward, instead one of the most complete all-round footballers in the modern game.

It can be convincingly argued that all of the truly great players in history have operated from a similar free midfield-cum-forward position: Di Stefano, Puskas, Eusebio, Charlton, Cruyff and now Maradona. Each one of these stars possessed the necessary ability and determination to become the fulcrum of his team's play, and in so doing putting himself beyond the reach of any tactical or positional constraints. The coach had to fit in with these genius playmakers, not the other way round.

Perhaps it would be a bit presumptious to put Nyilasi in such elevated company. But his own style is just about the same as theirs: lay the ball off, then move forward for the return pass. Either that or simply dribble to within shooting distance. There is, however, one superstar with whom the Hungarian simply begs comparison, and he is Frenchman Michel Platini.

First, Nyilasi is just six months older than Platini, having been born on January 18, 1955;

Secondly, they both burst upon the international scene during the qualifiers for the 1978 World Cup, and then became national captains for the 1982 version;

Thirdly, they are both blessed with the same attributes: a vivid footballing imagination, long-passing ability, dangerous aerial strength and a coolness in front of goal which is reflected in their excellent scoring records. In fact, the two are so alike that it would be no exaggeration to call Nyilasi the "Hungarian Platini".

But even though their playing styles are so very similar, off the field their respective situations are poles apart. Platini is now regarded as the world's No 1, for having lifted France to the European Championship and Juventus to the Champion's Cup. He is said to earn around £1m. a year from his Juventus contract and other commercial spin-offs, and his every word and deed is analysed in depth by the eager media.

Nyilasi, in contrast, remains in relative obscurity and financial modesty. He earns "only" about £50,000 a year playing for Austria Vienna — where he's been since 1983 — and his further commercial interests are very slight. He is not a huge "name" in world football, despite being the most richly talented Magyar since the days of Ferenc Bene and Florian Albert.

The reason for Nyilasi's relative lack of fame and fortune is not difficult to see. He was born and lived for 28 years in Communist Hungary, and even as national captain and brightest star his earnings were strictly regulated from above.

Footballers were officially only part-timers, working most of the day at another profession — or else classified as "sport students". Bonuses amounting to around £100 per week — plus various valuable "perks", eg western car or holiday chalet — were the upper earning limit in Hungarian football during Nyilasi's time.

In 1984, following a series of much-publicised corruption scandals, moves were initiated to gradually introduce professionalism; but by then Nyilasi had already made the short trip to Vienna. He left his native land hardly a rich man, and in the two years since he's not become a millionaire. He and his family are now comfortably off, but not rich as would surely be the case if he had always played his trade in the West..

So much for the money side; fame, too, has partially evaded Nyilasi. To return to the comparison with Platini, the Frenchman was in a sense fortunate to be among a splendid generation which grew up and developed together, including the likes of Maxime Bossis, Alain Giresse, Dominique Rocheteau, Didier Six and Bernard Lacombe. Platini has been playing alongside this distinguished group for almost a decade now, and this has obviously helped his own game to develop as well as given him the kind of talented support that leads to success and fame.

An outstanding player in a good team is, of course, always going to achieve more than an equally gifted man in a mediocre team. And at Juventus, too, Platini has been lining up with the very best: Antonio Cabrini, Marco Tardelli, Zbigniew Boniek, Paolo Rossi . . .

Again contrast the situation of Nyilasi. Although qualifying for three successive World Cups, Hungary has only been an average force in world football in recent times, and the only world-class team-mate for Nyilasi has been the mercurial Andras Toroksik. At club level, his original outfit, Ferencvaros, and now Austria Vienna, have hardly had the talent to take Europe by storm. All this goes some way to explain why Nyilasi has not yet commanded the worldwide attention that his extensive range of footballing abilities perhaps deserve.

But there's still time to put that right, as he himself is quick to point out. FK Austria performed creditably enough in last season's Champions' Cup, going out to Liverpool in the quarter-finals. This time, of course, there is no Liverpool to confront, and if they can get past tough Dynamo Berlin then they could be in with a shout; Nyilasi will then captain the young and exuberant Hungarian side in Mexico and though nobody's expecting them to match the exploits of Puskas and co., they'll certainly be a good outside bet for success.

This will probably be Nyilasi's last chance to really prove himself on the world stage. He gave us brief displays of his full potential in 1978 and 1982, but without both the consistency and the support to turn these flashes into goals and victories.

Critics say that it is this lack of consistency on the part of Nyilasi that has held him back, even more so than the often mediocre players around him. Platini, to return again to the comparison, is certainly more consistent, and, in the same vein, endowed with more commitment and aggression.

The Hungarian's answer to this charge? "Just because a player doesn't charge around kicking everyone doesn't mean to say he can't play football. Quite the opposite in my opinion. A footballer is someone who can make his feet obey the commands of his head, above all someone who *thinks* rather than just *does*. It's a matter of putting thought and deed together, something that far too many modern players seem incapable of.

"I know full well that I've got my critics, but it really doesn't bother me too much. Every now and again they come out and have a go at me for not showing enough 'commitment' as they call it, or for not tackling hard enough. They were particularly hard on me after we lost 4-1 at Liverpool in the European Cup: they said I didn't chase back enough and left too many gaps. But they forget that we had to go all out for away goals, as we had drawn the first leg 1-1.

"And you're not going to score goals if all 11 of you are chasing and covering. No, I'm not the type to go sliding and hassling for the ball, I leave that to others in the team who can do it better. Afterwards, I think I can make better use of it than them, so that evens it all up. We can't all be experts at everything."

These words from Nyilasi will give you a penetrative insight into the man's character, perhaps better than any straight prose can do. He comes over very much as his own man, intelligent, self-confident and, above all, self-willed. He knows his own mind and is never afraid to speak it. A look at Nyilasi's personal history will show

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that these characteristics have often brought him into conflict with the authorities, but their strictures have always been tempered by the knowledge that they were dealing with an exceptional talent.

In schoolboy football Nyilasi quickly caught the eye of the watching coaches. For a start, he was taller than the other boys, and also, perhaps surprisingly for his height, a good deal more skilful and purposeful. His independent and at times mischievous spirit got him into one or two scrapes — refusing to play until a particularly vociferous coach had been removed, for example — but the discipline meted out from above was never too strict, for the simple reason that he quickly became the central playmaker and captain of all the junior and youth teams he joined.

Young Nyilasi — now nicknamed "Tibi"— made rapid progress in the Hungarian national junior and youth teams. This was in the early seventies, a Dark Age for Magyar football, and he was soon being hailed as a ray of hope for the future.

He joined the famous Ferencvaros club of Budapest, quickly made the central midfield spot his own, and was then called up to join the Under-23 team for the 1976 European Championship. This call-up led to him teaming up with the country's other outstanding prospect and young "rebel". . . centre-forward Andras Toroksik.

Nyilasi was instantly impressed with what he saw of this immensely gifted blond forward: "We hit it off straight away did Andras and me, both on and off the field. We are very similar to each other in outlook and temperament, not just as regards football, but life in general. Then, everyone was talking about the two of us being the pillar of the national team for ten years to come — and this was even before we'd made our full debuts!"

Indeed, the future for the pair did seem rosy at the time, despite losing the U-23 final 2-3 to the Soviet Union. But problems were just around the corner. First of all, they were both banned from travelling abroad for a year in August 1976, following a mysterious incident at the airport, described officially as "customs irregularities".

Shortly afterwards Nyilasi suffered an awful skull fracture in a heading duel, and whether he could continue playing at all became a source of debate between rival doctors and specialists.

"Tibi" recovered splendidly from this nasty setback, even though he's been troubled with several recurrences of cranial problems since. In fact, he recovered so well that he was brought into the full Hungarian side trying to qualify for the 1978 World Cup.

Wily old coach Lajos Baroti managed to integrate Nyilasi and Toroksik to great effect, and was rewarded with the defeat of the Soviet Union. Thus the "Terrible Twosome" left for Argentina accompanied by great expectations; but by the end of the first match there these hopes had become ashes. Hungary took a surprising early lead against the hosts, conceded an equaliser, seemed to be heading for a creditable draw, but then saw Argentina snatch a very controversial second goal in the dying minutes.

The frustration of thus seeing possible victory turn to actual defeat was too much for Nyilasi and Toroksik, and they both got themselves sent off for retaliation against some crude home tackling.

"One of the worst moments in my career," recalls Nyilasi, "because I knew then that our World Cup campaign was effectively finished. We simply lost our heads after their second. The crowd, chanting and baying like mad, obviously contributed. But we were still stupid and irresponsible to react like we did."

The pair were suspended and had to watch as Hungary lost 1-3 to Italy and thus went out. The incident caused young Nyilasi to completely reassess his temperament and approach particularly when he learnt that his own federation had surprisingly imposed a year's international ban on him and his friend, for "bringing disgrace upon Hungarian football".

It was a harsh and unexpected blow, but it gave Nyilasi the time to sit down and think in depth about his attitude. He realised that, if he wanted to get back in favour, he would have to be less awkward towards the authorities and coaches, and, above all, learn how to live with aggression and provocation and not retaliate.

Without the two young stars Hungary crashed out of the European Championship to the Soviet Union. The ban was lifted early in February 1979, and Nyilasi returned with a less troublesome, more accommodating attitude. He'd obviously learnt his lesson, but Toroksik hadn't. He carried on exactly as before, in an irresponsible and undisciplined manner, and was soon involved in two car accidents whilst under the influence of drink. For each of these he was again suspended, and has never regained his national team place for any length of time.

Nyilasi first moved upfield permanently in season 1980-81.

"It was a great change," he recalls, "and great to see all those goals go in." Altogether, including penalties, he totalled 30, just one behind Georgi Slavkov of Trakia Plovdiv in the race for the Golden Boot given by Adidas and *France Football*.

By then another World Cup campaign had begun, and new coach Kalman Meszoly had made Nyilasi national captain. It was really inevitable that the job would come to him sooner or later, as he was the undisputed leader of the team on the field. He suffered a painful recurrence of his old head injury when heading against the bar in the 1-3 home defeat by England in June 1981. And he was also injured for the return match five months later, this time with a knee strain. But by then the Magyars were certain of a place in Spain.

In Hungary's opening match in the 1982 World Cup, captain Nyilasi showed the way forward with two unstoppable headers in the 10-1 annihilation of El Salvador. Hopes ran high in the camp after this amazing start, as he himself points out.

"We tried not to make too much out of the El Salvador win, but it's hard not to become over-confident when you've just set a new World Cup scoring record. I think we paid the price for this against Argentina."

Hungary were themselves thrashed 1-4, and were squeezed out of a quarter-final place by a late Belgian equaliser in the deciding match.

"It was very disappointing to go out by just one goal, just when we were getting into our stride," remembers Nyilasi, who had played all three games strictly as a midfielder.

The authorities had already agreed that he could go abroad in 1983 at the age of 28, in recognition of his valuable services rendered. He chose FK Austria as it was close to home, and as he would be linking up with fellow Hungarian Istvan Magyar. After his departure Ferencvaros, whom he'd lifted to the championship three times, promptly collapsed.

As FK had also signed schemer Herbert Prohaska that summer from Roma, Nyilasi was moved up front and has stayed there. Alongside Magyar and Tony Polster, the goals really started flowing, including five against Sturm Graz and the two that sensationally knocked Inter Milan out of the UEFA Cup. A broken toe kept him out for a month in January 1984, but he still finished his first season as Austria's leading scorer with 26.

Then came the World Cup again, and an excellent opening win over, ironically, Austria. New Hungarian coach was Gyorgy Mezey, and although he'd experimented without Nyilasi in friendlies, he brought him back to lead the youngsters when the real thing started up again. Hungary simply stormed through the qualifiers, with Nyilasi to be found directing the traffic from a deeper position than he was now used to in Vienna.

But he still managed to get forward to good effect, as, for example, when he snatched a vital late winner away to Cyprus.

It would be appropriate to wind up with captain Tibor Nyilasi's view of how the new young Hungary will perform in the heat and pressure of Mexico. He says: "I'm more confident of success this time than I was in 1978 and 1982, because we've now got just the right blend of youth and experience. I'm really optimistic, even though the climate will be against us and all the Europeans. For my part, I'm just hoping that it can be something like a glorious finale to my career."

y DUNCAN SHAW

*I REALISE it's of little consolation to Welsh fans, but I don't for a moment believe David Phillips intentionally handled David Speedie's off-target shot and presented Scotland with a gift late equaliser at Cardiff.*

*Davie Cooper slotted the spot-kick neatly behind the sprawling Neville Southall — and that effort should be enough to carry the Scots to Mexico while toppling the Welsh.*

*Really, you have to have sympathy for Wales. Eight years earlier, at Anfield, Scotland got a penalty-kick in controversial circumstances and Don Masson put that one away to send the Scots to Argentina and eliminate Wales.*

*The Welsh have bubbled and boiled about that 'penalty' for years — stating, quite correctly, that the ball struck Joe Jordan's hand and NOT that of David Jones.*

*This time it was the unfortunate Phillips who handled, but the ball played him . . . not the other way around. Dutch referee Jan Keizer, who made some odd decisions on a supercharged evening, had no doubts, however, and substitute Cooper scored the most vital goal of his career.*

*Wales must be perplexed at their lack of success in this World Cup section. They took three points off Scotland and rattled in three goals against Spain in another memorable evening. They also possess two of the best strikers in the business in Mark Hughes and Ian Rush. Yet fate has once more dictated they will not be in the Finals.*

*Scotland didn't play well at Ninian Park. But they did possess an almost frightening determination after the interval. I thought Richard Gough was immense and Alex McLeish and Willie Miller never wilted under the two-pronged attack of Rush and Hughes.*

*Maurice Malpas looked comfortable although he didn't receive much help from Jim Bett, who was clearly out of touch.*

*Roy Aitken powered all over the place in midfield and defence and Steve Nicol also did better in a more positive role in the second-half.*

*Sadly neither the hard-working Speedie nor Graeme Sharp carried much threat up front, playing together for the first time.*

*Ironically, penalties have been so important to Scotland in their last two World Cup encounters. Jim Leighton saved one in Iceland to throw Scotland a lifeline and, of course, the Scots eventually triumphed that evening when Jim Bett got the only goal in the last minute.*

# by Alex Gordon

**ONE man in 40,000 died at Ninian Park, Cardiff, on September 10. But, in reality, it was one man in millions.**

With utterly bewildering timing, yet somehow ironically apt, the last thing Jock Stein heard on this earth was the cheers of Scottish fans celebrating, a shade prematurely perhaps, their nation's place in next year's World Cup Finals in Mexico.

Fifty minutes after the final whistle of Scotland's 1-1 draw with Wales, those cavorting, chanting supporters were plunged into the depths of sadness.

Jock Stein, the Scottish manager known to everyone simply as 'The Big Man', was dead. A massive heart attack had killed a human being thought by many to be immortal.

Stein, who would have been 63 this month, lived and died for football. It's an obvious but fitting epitaph. He did more for the Scottish game inside two dacades than most have done in combined lifetimes.

There is a massive gap in our football today. It's a chasm that only one man could fill. And, sadly, that man has gone, robbed even of the dignity of dying in privacy. But the legend lives on.

Who knew the real Jock Stein? Perhaps only his family. Certainly to some he could be a bit of an enigma.

He could turn purple with uncontrolled rage at referees whom he considered to be just a shade short of competency. Yet, moments later, he could be ready to shake a hand, prepared to look the other way.

Stein was considered by people outside his trust to be a gruff, unremitting man. The truth is he didn't so much suffer fools gladly as not even pretend to suffer them at all.

He grew up in a mining town and worked down the pits in Lanarkshire while in his mid-twenties. That breeding in that background never left the man. It made its powerful mark.

Phonies didn't stand a chance when he was around — and it didn't take him long to spot one. He couldn't be bothered with all the latest soccer jargon, the amazingly silly verbals uttered by so-called coaches who couldn't claim even the merest fraction of his success.

He didn't beat about the bush. In truth, he was a simple man with straight forward targets. He always wanted to win. And he always wanted to entertain.

In April, 1967, Celtic were on their way to making British football history. They had just drawn 0-0 in Prague against Dukla to move through to a European Cup Final meeting with Inter Milan.

Yet, emphasising so completely his love of attacking ideals, Stein was not fully satisfied. As everyone whooped with joy at an incredible achievement, The Big Man frowned, shook his head and said: "Those Czech fans didn't see the real Celtic today. We came with a 3-1 first leg advantage and we were determined to hold what we had. That's the first time I've ever played such a defensive formation. I hope it's the last."

I'm sure it was. Needless to add, Stein was a lot more happy a month later when his beloved Celtic side demolished the defensive strategies of dull Inter Milan to win the European Cup — the first British club to do so — and imprint the date May 25 and the location Lisbon in the minds of everyone who thinks and believes soccer at any level should be an entertainment.

When you mention Jock Stein you immediately think of stupendous success, glittering spectacles, treasured performances and, of course, an avalanche of trophies. Pause a moment and recall his achievements as a manager with Celtic.

In 13 fabulous years he claimed 10 League titles — including a world-equalling nine-in-a-row — eight Scottish Cups and six League Cups. Breathtaking, is it not?

**However, in truth, Jock Stein's worth to football was immeasurable. Victories and trophies merely catalogue the events. Stein's value went beyond that.**

His senior playing career started in Coatbridge on November 14, 1942 when he played for Albion Rovers after receiving £10 for signing from little Junior club Blantyre Vics. The opponents that day? Celtic, would you believe. And a raw Stein playing centre-half, helped Rovers to a 4-4 draw. Eight goals in one game . . . he must have enjoyed that!

Jock, I'm positive he would have agreed, was not God's gift to football as a player. He would chuckle and say: "I cleared the ball more often with my knee than my foot."

However, this limited footballer loved the beauty of the game and never lost the determination to succeed. He played for Albion Rovers before signing for Welsh club Llanelli. A series of housebreakings at his home in Scotland and an upset wife persuaded Jock to return across the border.

Nine years after making his debut against Celtic he became a Celtic player, bought, ostensibly, to help coach the youngsters in the reserves.

Someone, somewhere reckoned without the awesome ambition of the man. Within months he was captain of the first team and leading them to a League and Cup double as well as Coronation Cup success in 1953. The Stein bandwagon was rolling. only the ultimate factor would bring it to a halt.

An ankle injury put an end to his playing days, but Stein was so valuable and so willing to put inovative ideas into operation that he immediately went onto the Celtic coaching staff.

Dunfermline offered him a position as their manager and, after much thought, Stein accepted the challenge and left Celtic Park, never realising he would return in such magnificent splendour.

Within a year little Dunfermline had won the Scottish Cup, beating, ironically, Celtic in a replayed Final.

Then Hibs enticed him to Easter Road. Again there was success — the now-defunct Summer Cup being claimed by the Edinburgh outfit. Celtic, hardly surprisingly, cast envious eyes in his direction.

They were going through a rough passage, without a major

*ISRAEL'S great start in the Oceania group —See Page 35*

# JOC

## World Socer pay manager who die

***MIGUEL MUNOZ, manager of Scotland's World Cup rivals Spain, said: "I am devastated by the news of Jock Stein's death. It isn't that we were very good friends — we saw each other only from time to time. But we shared comradeship in opposition and the end of that is very sad for me. Whatever the results of our matches in recent years, I can say that they always started with a friendly comment or two and ended, always, with a handshake. He was that sort of man. He was a good sportsman and international football is the***

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## Soccer pays tribute to the Scotland er who died on September 10

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***BILLY McNEILL, former Celtic captain and now Manchester City manager, said: "Jock was a revolutionary. Without him at Celtic we would have blundered along, winning the occasional trophy. But he organised our training and tactics, whereas before we simply used to run 12 laps and go out and play as we saw fit. Jock was the first to take an interest in you as a person."***

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***BOBBY ROBSON, England manager, said: "We spent an awful lot of time in each other's company in the three years I have been England manager and for me it was time well spent. Jock had a great deal of dignity, incredible integrity and a profound knowledge of the game. He was always someone you were pleased to see. He had time to have a word with everyone. He was an exceptionally nice man. But possibly his greatest virtue was that while he had a firm point of view he was always ready to listen to the views of others."***

triumph in seven years, and they sorely needed the guidance of a respected manager.

In 1965 Stein, without hesitation, became the first Protestant manager of the club with Roman Catholic roots. The rest is history . . . spellbinding, supreme history.

Only six weeks after taking the chair at Celtic Park, Stein, incredibly, had coaxed and cajoled his new club to a 3-2 Scottish Cup Final victory over Dunfermline.

He took a team of eager youngsters such as Tommy Gemmell, Bobby Murdoch, Billy McNeill, Jimmy Johnstone and Bobby Lennox and two years later made them all part of Europe's best side.

And they would have rightly been acclaimed the best in the world if it hadn't been for the disgraceful thuggery of Argentina's Racing Club in the Intercontinental Cup Final. Celtic, protecting a 1-0 first leg advantage, were put through the mill in Buenos Aires and even lost goalkeeper Ronnie Simpson before the game when he was felled, hit on the back of the head by a metal bar. Celtic played with reserve John Fallon in goal, went ahead through Tommy Gemmell, but eventually lost 2-1.

The replay took place in Uruguay and, alas went into the history books as the second Battle of the River Plate. There couldn't have been more blood spilled in the first. The referee went slightly potty and sent off four Celtic players! It was hardly surprising that Celtic, so alone in an unfriendly land, lost 1-0. It was not a victory for football. It was not a day Jock Stein would remember with any fondness. The entire spectacle was against his utmost beliefs.

But failure of any kind was unfamiliar with this patriotic Scot, who, unlike so many of his countrymen, was a teetotaller. Even when he was handed a champagne-filled European Cup in Lisbon he declined to take a sip. He would only say: "Naw, I don't need this stuff."

The honeymoon with Celtic came to an end in 1978 after a barren season. Celtic decided on a shake-up and introduced Stein's former award-winning captain Billy McNeill as the new manager. It was expected Stein would take his considerable presence on to the Parkhead board, but an offer to manage Leeds United tempted him South.

Within seven weeks he was back in Scotland as supremo of the international side, replacing Ally MacLeod after the fiasco of the World Cup Finals in Argentina.

Scotland, shell-shocked after the spectacular flop in South America amid lurid tales of drug-taking and drinking sprees, needed a man with credability. No-one raised an eyebrow when they made their move for Jock Stein.

Had he survived, he would have been in the post seven years this month. The pressure eventually told on a burly man who had a mild heart attack eight years ago and another

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# Canada qualify

## from Colin Jose

**ST JOHN's on the rugged Atlantic coast of Newfoundland is one of the most unlikely places on earth to stage a World Cup game. But is was there, on Saturday, September 14, that Canada made history by qualifying for the finals for the first time.**

The scoreline which secured the ticket south as the CONCACAF qualifier — Mexico, of course, were seeded to the finals as hosts — was earned by defeating Honduras by 2-1.

Goals from George Pakos, the 33-year-old forward or midfielder, and Bratislava-born Igor Vrablic, were decisive. Pakos scored after 16 minutes for a lead the Canadians held until shortly after half-time when Porfirio Betancourt — a member of the squad Honduras took to the 1982 finals in Spain — grabbed an equaliser.

But the 7,500 fans were not kept in suspense for too long, In the 61st minute Tony Waiters became the first Englishman to qualify for the finals.

That victory left Canada top of the group with six points from four games. Honduras and Costas Rica each finished with three points.

**CONCACAF final qualifying table**

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| Costa Rica | 4 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 6 | 3 |

Play in the third round CONCACAF group opened with Costa Rica and Honduras playing to a 2-2 tie in San Jose.

Costa Rica had more of the ball, but lacked the penetration of the more skilful Honduras side. They managed however to snatch a late equaliser through Johnny Williams in the 81st minute to avoid a home defeat which might have put them virtually out of contention:

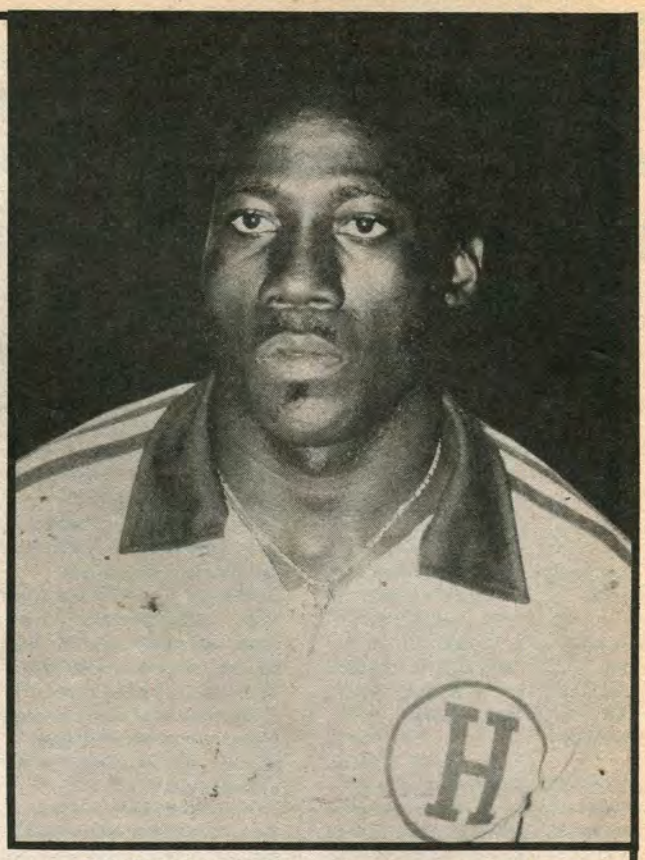
Honduras were able to line up the team which did duty in Spain when they almost reached the second round — except for Hector Zelaya, the first Honduras player to score a goal in World Cup finals and who recently had his seventh cartilage operation. They looked good for another finals appearance, but after their 2-2 draw coach Jose de la Paz — who had also been in charge in Spain in 1982 — threatened to resign unless a government official withdrew his public criticism of the team's performance.

In the second match, Costa Rica gained an away point with a 1-1 draw against Canada in Toronto. First match point-saver Williams gave Costa Rica a 12th-minute lead before Welsh-born 21-year-old Paul James late substitute for injured Gerry Gray, headed Canada level after 58 minutes. A couple of minutes later he almost scored Canada's winner when he hit a post with another header.

At this stage Costa Rica, having emerged after many years in the background, appeared the strongest challengers for a place in Mexico.

In contrast to the more normal short-passing Latin American style with its slow build-up, Costa Rica were playing a faster and more aggressive style and varying the short passing with long through balls. They had an outstanding centre back in Rodolfo Mills and a very talented defender or midfield player in Juan Cayasso.

Costa Rica, of course, played in the Olympic finals last year losing 3-0 to the United States and 4-1 to Egypt but then produced a major upset by beating Italy 1-0. In earlier World Cup qualifying matches they passed through the first round without playing a game when Barbados withdrew, then cruised to an easy 3-0 win over Trinadad and Tobago in the opening game of the second round. But a 1-1 tie in the return game with Trinidad and Tobago sent panic through the Costa Rican Federation and wholesale changes were made for the two games against the United States, the first ending in a 1-1 tie and the second a 1-0 win for Costa Rica in Los Angeles.



**JULIO CESAR ARZU . . . Honduras goalkeeper.**

Following the 1-1 tie against Trindad it was decided to base the team on the national champions Deportiva Alajuelense, and for the game against Canada in Toronto no less than 15 Alajuelense players were listed in the 22.

Those players were: goalkeepers Alejandro Gonzalez and Carlos Porras. Defenders: Miguel Vargas, Roger Flores, William Guillen, Rodolfo Mills and Cesar Hines. Midfielders: Jorge Cheves, Oscar Ramirez, Juan Cayasso, Luis Frenandez and Alvaro Solano. Forwards: Franklin Williams, Jorge Contreras and Omar Arroyo.

The players not with Deportiva Alajuelense were goalkeeper, Marco Rojas (Deportivo Saprissa), defender, Edwin Salazar (Cartagines), midfielders, German Chavarria (C. S. Herediano) and Luis Galagarza (Municipal Puntarenas), forwards, Evaristo Coronado (Deportivo Saprissa) and Leonidas Flores and Johnny Williams (both Municipal Puntarenas). Williams also seems to be known as Johnny Villalobos. Costa Rica are coached by Alvaro McDonald.

Honduras it was who reopened the group — unwittingly — when they lost 1-0 at home to the Canadians, who controled play for most of the game.

Canada were able to field an experienced team, including most of the players who did so well in last years Olympics. Most are familiar to followers of the old North American Soccer League, with Tino Lettieri in goal, a back four of Bobbny Lenarduzzi, Ian Bridge, Terry Moore and Bruce Wilson. The midfield including James, Randy Ragan, Mike Sweeney and David Norman, while Vrablic was partnered by John Catliff and Pakos up front.

An injury to Dale Mitchell who scored four goals in the previous round did not help Canada's chances, nor did the early absence of Gray, who broke his leg playing indoor soccer last winter.

Still the team were well-led by Bruce Wilson, and Waiters was able to use a disciplined system thanks to a bunch of dedicated, hard-working players whose experience in pacing themselves in Central American conditions and whose tremendous team spirit ultimately paid handsome dividends.

Having won 'on the road' in Tegucigalpa, the Canadians then took a 0-0 draw away from their visit to Costa Rica . . . who suddenly found themselves the outsiders in a group they had appeared to have in their grasp.

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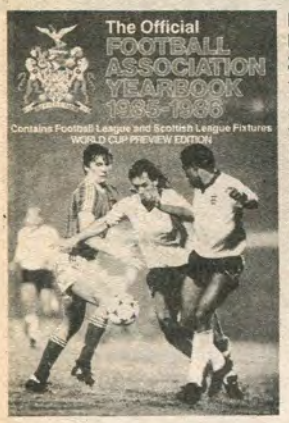


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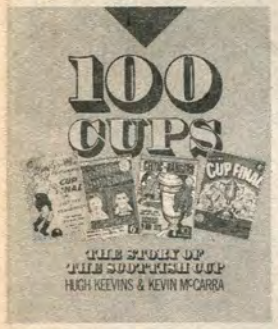


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# SURPRISE TE

## AFRICAN NOTEBOOK

**NORTH AFRICAN sides have taken over the last round of the continent's World Cup qualifying competition.**

The surprise team are Libya who won through thanks to a 2-0 home victory over Ghana. The Ghanaians had failed to score in the first leg although they came close on several occasions, particularly the 70th minute when a header from Emmanuel Quarshie struck the post.

Nigeria were another side who failed to take advantage of the home leg. They scored a single goal through Okey Isoma in the 77th minute but in the return it took Tunisia only seven minutes to equalise the aggregate score. The ball was worked back from a corner and Bassam Jerid came running through to strike a powerful shot home.

It was Jerid who scored again on the half hour when he rose to head home a free kick. Tunisia nearly made it three in the second half but Abdelhamid Hergal's fine header struck the woodwork.

Off-form Egypt never looked like going through after being held to a goalless draw in Cairo by Morocco and sure enough they were edged out in the second game despite putting up a typically tough defensive display. The Egyptian Football Federation have since sacked the team's coach and announced that they will review the future of all the national squad.

Black Africa's last survivors, Zambia, could not fight back after a 2-0 defeat in Algeria. The Algerians' first goal came in the 15th minute through Bensaoula but the second did not come until six minutes from the end when Madjer scored what could rank as the most vital goal of his career.

NADJER . . . vital goal for Algeria.

### NIGERIA

**NIGERIAN football is still celebrating — undeterred by political events in the country — the triumph of their youngsters in the first under-16 World Cup in China.**

The future looks bright indeed for the Nigerians, particularly when you add that success to their victory in the African youth championship.

Nigeria beat Tunisia 1-1, 2-1 in the two-leg final and both teams went on to the World Youth Cup finals in the Soviet Union (see report on pages 4 and 5).

The Nigerians' eight-game run in the African event lacked nothing in excitement or controversy.

Having edged Ghana out in the first round the Flying Eagles lost 3-0 to Cameroun in the second round, first leg. In the return a brillant fourth minute goal from Augustin Igoinaderho put Nigeria on the road to a 5-1 victory. The next round saw the bitter triumph over Ethiopia, which has already been reported, while two goals from Igdinaderho set up the 3-2 aggregate victory over Tunisia for the African title.

Igdinaderho is the star of the team, whether working from midfield, taking free kicks or coming into the penalty area to score vital goals and this talented teenager has already secured himself a place in the first division with NNB of Benin.

In front of him Michael Dominic is a talented forward with the ability to go around a defender while striker Osaro Osabaifo has improved considerably this season both for the youth team and for his club Flamingoes of Benin who are challenging for a place in next season's division one line-up.

Senior internationals Henry Nwosu and Stephen Keshi were banned from the national team football for one year after missing a national squad training session. Both players have since moved to the Ivory Coast.

Nigeria and Ivory Coast were opponents in a recent friendly match which ended in a 1-1 draw. Both goals came in a two minute spell just before half time. Rashidi Yekini put Nigeria ahead and Gnahore Emle equalised from a penalty.

The Ivory Coast forward line of Traore, Akenon and Sikely looked particularly impressive and the Ivory Coast were perhaps a little unlucky not to earn a win. Dahirou of Nigeria and Georges of the Ivory Coast were sent off.

On the domestic scene Nigeria New Bank of Benin city are just two games away from securing the Nigerian league title. They are also through to the West African Cup semi-finals, a trophy they have held since 1983.

The Bank side have a particularly talented forward line. African Nations Cup star Henry Nwosu lines up alongside the club's top scorer, Efoser Osayi while a second international player, Humphry Edobor, gives strength down the wing.

The key figure in midfield is Lawrence Oreiro while international defender Bright Omokaro links well with Sunday Eboigbe.

It hasn't all been plain sailing. One of the other leading clubs, Stationary Stores, have been disbanded with one league match remaining. The move came after Stores, then eighth in the table, lost 4-0 to Abiola Babes in the State Challenge Cup.

Also Shooting Stars of Nigeria seem certain to be disqualified from the West African Cup semi-finals after their players surrounded and threatened the referee.

The Nigerian side beat Africa Sport 2-0 in the first leg but

# TEAM LIBYA

## OOK from Bob Pateman

quickly gave a goal away in the return. Then, in the 24th minute, the referee booked the Stars goalkeeper which started the protest. After being pushed and shoved for several minutes the referee was rescued by police who then started fighting with the Nigerian players. At this point the match was abandoned.

If Africa Sport are awarded the tie they will meet Nigeria New Bank, in the final. NNB destroyed Ifodje D'atakpame of Togo 4-0, 4-1.

### ZIMBABWE

**BLACK RHINOS, the Zimbabwe army side, won the BATS Heros Cup with a 3-2 victory over Dynamos. It was a controversial match however in that Dynamos who were on the verge of taking the league title from the influential army team, dropped six of their first team regulars without any explanation.**

If the team selectors didn't seem to want to win the match at least there was no doubts about the performance on the pitch. Dynamos couldn't have had a worse start and they were two goals down by half time, man of the match Nyangelo scoring them both. However, a six minute spell in the second half saw them draw level with goals from Katsvere and Chunga. The winner came in the last few seconds and saw Nyangelo complete his hat-trick.

In the semi-finals Dynamos had struggled to beat Zimbabwe Saints 2-1 while the Rhinos had enjoyed a six-goal thriller with the Air Force side. The league still has a few games left but Dynamos look sure to regain their title, the decisive game being Rhinos 2-1 defeat to CAPS. One of the happiest sights of the season has been the return from injury of Shacky Tauro and it was this aggressive striker who scored both goals against Rhinos.

Dynamos Moses Chunga, however, leads the scoring table with 14 goals.

The most surprising star of the season must be goalkeeper Nat Bismark who started the season as third-choice keeper for Ziscosteel. The transfer of Marizani to Tornadoes gave Bismark his first team chance and since then a series of brave saves have won him the respect of fans and several top player awards.

### GHANA

**HEARTS OF OAK secured the Ghanaian league title in magnificent style when they travelled to Kumasi and beat their closest rivals, Asante Kumasi, 1-0. This was the first time Hearts had won a league match on Asante ground since 1973 and the first time they had ever recorded a double victory over the Kumasi side.**

It was Asante however, who, inspired by Baba Ali, dominated the game and things looked particularly bad for Hearts when they lost their goalkeeper Owusu Mensah after a mid-air collision with Yahya Kassum. Yet it was Hearts who scored against the run of play. Ofei Ansah pushed a harmless looking free-kick towards the Kotoko penalty area, Baba Ali mishit his clearance and Joe Amoateng pounced to score the only goal of the game.

On the same day the clash between the two bottom clubs saw Bofoakwa beat BA United 1-0 with a goal from Kwasi Owusu. However, a goalless draw between the next two clubs, Hasaacas and Arnold Warriors, meant that Bofoakwa will be in division two next year.

The league's top marksman was George Alhassan who scored one goal in Great Olympics 2-2 draw with Zebi FC to bring his league total to 11.

But, in the major surprise of the year, Asante failed to achieve the cup and league double when they went down 2-0 to Hasaacas in the Cup final.

Hasaacas, who had only just escaped relegation, went ahead in the eighth minute through Olabode Williams. The slim Williams had a magnificent game and never allowed the Asante defence time to settle. It was Hasaacas' other star, centre forward Henry Acquath, who tied up the game with a 71st minute header.

### TANZANIA

**THE Tanzanian national team, now under the care of coach Joel Bendera, reverted to a 4-2-4 line-up for their three match tour of Malawi.**

They held the home team to goalless draws in the first and last games but in the second match were ripped apart by Clifton Msiya who scored twice in a six-minute spell to set up his side's 2-0 victory.

### KENYA

**DISASTER struck a local football team when the boat they were travelling on sunk while crossing Lake Victoria . . . 15 of the 22 players on board were feared drowned.**

### TANZANIA

**THE BIG two Dar es Salaam sides, Simba and Yanga, are neck and neck at the top of the league after Simba beat Kagera RTC 2-0 to draw level on 16 points.**

Surprise team Nyota Nyekundu beat CDA 5-1 but still lay in third place.

### MALAWI

**LIMBE LEAF Wanderers were lucky to snatch a draw in the Kamuzu Cup final.**

With no national league the cup competition is considered to be the country's most important trophy and is normally dominated by the big Blantyre clubs.

On this occasion however it was Lilongwe side, Silver Strikers, who came the closest to winning. Their striker Bengazi Msiska broke the goalless deadlock in the second part of extra time and only a silly mistake by the defence allowed Sito Mfarinya to score the goal that will give Limbe a second attempt at the trophy.

### ETHIOPIA

**THE Addis Ababa knockout championship has reached the quarter-final stage.**

The biggest surprise was the defeat of Breweries who had won several of the season's earlier competitions. They lost to Addis Cement on penalties after a 1-1 draw.

Best of the matches was probably the tie between Omedla and EBCA, the two teams who had fought out the Addis League Championship. On this occasion Omedla defender Musse missed a twice taken penalty to decide the game in EBCA's favour.

The match between Coffee and Machal was abandoned with eight minutes to go after a fight between players and the game was due to be rescheduled before the mid-week semi-finals.

Since the revolution Ethiopian clubs have all been disbanded to be replaced by firm or military teams. Although this has removed a lot of the local interest the large crowds that gathered at the Wanji Geferso Stadium were certainly given value for money and there were non-stop matches throughout the weekend. This type of competition was particularly tiring for players. Not only were they required to play two games in two days but just as they were ready to take the field a late goal could push the previous game into extra time and so force another half-hour delay.

### TANZANIA

**THE Football Association of Tanzania have not re-newed Geoff Hudson's contract after the Bank of Tanzania refused to provide funds to meet the coach's wages.**

Instead former international Joel Bendera will take control of the team, a position he held before Hudson arrived in Tanzania two years ago.

In 17 games under Hudson Tanzania lost only four matches. They won four and drew nine. The Tanzanian league will be extended to ten clubs next season.

### ZANZIBAR

**THIS YEAR the island championship is being decided by a home and away league featuring eight sides.**

Four come from mainland Zanzibar and four from the island of Pemba. One of the major problems of the league is that Pemba sides have generally been outclassed and several games have seen scores of six, seven or even eight goals.

Pemba side Mwenge SC did however cause a surprise when they beat former champions Ujamau 1-0.

### KENYA

**LEOPARDS suffered a surprising 1-0 defeat to Nzola in the Kenyan league and although they recovered to beat Re-Union the same weekend they look unlikely to close the gap on Gor.**

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A few days later Kisumu Post Office jumped into second place with a 2-1 victory over Transcom.

## CLUB FOCUS . . . ASANTE KOTOKO

# BACK ON TITLE TRAIL

### From Bob Pateman

*FEW CLUBS in Africa can match the fame of Asante Kotoko, six times Champion's Cup finalists. Yet at the same time, the club have been both unlucky and controversial and these six finals have produced only two wins.*

*The club's history goes back to 1924 when Kwasi Kuma visited the capital of Ghana, Accra, and watched two of the leading black teams of the day, Standfast and Hearts of Oak play. On his return to Kumasi, he purchased shirts and a ball and set about starting his own club.*

*Known first of all as the Rainbow Football Club, the team went around local schools recruiting the best young players. By 1926, when they changed their name to Ashanti FC, they had won several local trophies.*

*Other name changes occurred with the club becoming Titanics in 1931 and finally Asante Kotoko in 1935. The club was growing rapidly and in 1942 they took over the role of being Kumasi's number one side, when they beat Cornerstone 2-0 for that years Asanteme Cup.*

*Under the guidance of Charles Graft Dickson, the club tried to lose its tribal image and recruited players from all sections of the city. By 1951 the club was well enough established nationally, to provide four members for the Ghana team that visited England. The following year Asante changed their colours from black and gold to the present day red strip.*

*In 1957 they were selected as opponents to Hearts of Oak in a series of exhibition matches in which Stanley Matthews took part.*

*Asante actually came out of the series with honour, winning two of the three fixtures.*

*With independence, national competitions were staged and Asante were quickly at the fore. In 1958 they won the knockout cup and the following year they took their league title. In the early 1960s they were well served by Ibrahim Sunday, the second winner of the African Player of the Year award, and goalkeeper Robert Mensah.*

*League title followed in 1963 and 1964 and in 1965 they won the Champions of Champions tournament to gain entry to the African Champion's Cup. It was a disappointing start and they lost at home to eventual winners Stade Abidjan. That however remains the clubs only home defeat in the competition. The following year they were back and beat Djloba Bamako to reach the final.*

*Playing at home to TP Mazembe, Asante disappointed their fans by being held to a 1-1 draw. However in a, at times, bad tempered return, they braved out Mazembe's storming attacks and achieved a 2-2 draw away. There was no away goals rule in those days and the AFC ordered a replay but arguments over referees and venues resulted in Asante forfeiting the game.*

*In 1969 they were edged out of the semi-finals by eventual winners Ismaili but they gained their revenge in 1970 beating Egypt's El Ahly at the same stage.*

*Their second final once again paired them with TP Mazembe and for the second time they were held to a draw on their home ground. Abukari had given then a 34-minute lead but international Kalala equalised in the second half.*

*The second match in Zaire was one of the most controversial. Mazembe scored in the very first minute but the referee, bravely disallowed the goal. Inspired by Mensah and a solid defence that had Benkusi and Oliver in the centre and Brenya and Acquah on the flanks Asante went into a 2-1 lead. With minutes to go the referee gave Mazembe a penalty. There was uproar on the pitch and it looked as if Asante might leave the field.*

*Goalkeeper Mensah, however, took command, grabbing the ball and placing it on the spot then walking to his goal line where he stood defying any forward to beat him. It was a moment of magnificent theatre and it paid off.*

*Determined to keep the ball out of the range of the giant keeper, the poor Zarien struck the ball wide of the goal.*

*Although they had won the Champion's Cup, Asante lost their Ghana title to Olympics and the two rivals met in the following year's Champion's Cup semi-finals. Asante who had demolished both Mirrekh and El Ahly on the way to the final, edged out their countrymen over two close games.*

*The final, however, was again shrouded in controversy. Asante were magnificent on their own pitch winning 3-0, but in the return Canon, with new young star Lea heading their attack, scored twice and Asante were under considerable pressure. As is often the case, Canon sent too many men forward, Asante broke away and scored but the referee disallowed the goal.*

*With eight minutes to go the Asante players marched off the field and there was the sad sight of Sunday Ibrahim trying to persuade them to return and very nearly getting beaten up by his own team. In the end they did come back and the bad tempered tie went to a third match which saw Canon take the title.*

*Asante provided 10 of the 9 members of the Ghanian side that went to the 1972 Olympic games and two of these, winger Jabir asnd Acquah, were selected to represent a combined African side.*

*Asante re-emerged as the number one Ghanian club in the 1980s. Veteran striker Popku Afriyie lead the attack with the talented John Bannerman and Pouku Nti along side him. Internationals Koffi Badu and Albert Asasse gave the side drive and power in midfield and Joseph Carr in goal was generally considered the most consistent of keepers.*

*In the 1982 Champion's Cup, Asante hit peak form in the quarter-finals, where they beat Kampala City Council 6-1 in Kumasi. In the final, however, they were well outplayed by El Ahly. Having flown to Egypt on the eve of the match in a battered uncomfortable military plane, the Asante players were in no condition to give their best and they were hammered 3-0.*

*The Egypt defence was hardly likely to give this much away in the return and long before the end, the Kusami crowd had turned against their team. This seemed a little unfair, particularly on Nti who had on several occasions tested the Egyptian goalkeeper. Ghana fans, however, demand success and to finish runners-up in the tournament was considered a failure.*

*Asante made a slow warm up to the 1983 Champion's Cup struggling to get the better of CARA in the second round and AS Bilma of Zaire in the quarter-finals.*

*In the semi-finals they returned to Kusami 2-1 down to Diaraf and kept their fans in suspense till the 63rd minute when John Bannerman broke the deadlock to put them ahead on the away goals rule. The match was not made safer, however, until the 87th minute when Nti scored again.*

*Asante therefore were clear outsiders for the final which again paired them with El Ahly. However, football is a strange game and a determined as well prepared defence held the Egyptians to a goalless draw in Cairo.*

*In the return the home town atmosphere made all the difference and a single goal from Nti brought the cup back to Asante for the first time since 1971.*

*The wheel of fortune continued to spin and the following year Asante's defence ended at the first hurdle when Primero de Maio edged them out 2-1 on aggregate, a result that was the major surprise of the season.*

*At home their four-year run as league champions came to an end when Hearts took the title. Asante, however, qualified for the Cup Winners Cup and there is no doubt that their reputation and following will see them regain their league title within a season or two.*

# 'Zibi' moves on again

**by ARTHUR ROTMIL**

ZBIGNIEV BONIEK is one of the greatest, but certainly the most expensive Polish footballer of all time. Three years ago Italy's record champions Juventus paid around £1m. for the fiery red haired striker who will be 30 next March.

But now, having won five major trophies with the black-and-whites Boniek has left Turin to join his fourth, though second foreign club. His move to AS Roma has been somewhat shrouded in controversy. But the man whom his Polish relatives, friends and team-mates call 'Zbyszek' (diminutive for Zbigniev), but the Italian *tifosi* for easier pronunciation have nicknamed 'Zibi', has throughout his career been surrounded by controversial incidents.

Boniek was born on March 3 1956 in the northern Polish provincial town of Bydgoszcz where his parents are still living. His father Jozef was a league footballer with the local militia sports club Polonia. Boniek was only seven when neighbours first complained to his family that young Zbyszek was breaking the windows, some complained not just with footballs but by way of 'revenge' with stones.

Boniek passed through early school years as a temperamental unruly pupil given to bad language and bad company. He was certainly not an academic, yet he passed his entrance exams to high school (1976). Six years later he got a degree in physical education — cynics insist that it was a 'gift' from his teachers for being such a talented player.

In his teens he was small and frail so that doubts were raised as to whether he would make it in top grade football. Since the age of 12 he was associated with the local army club Zawisza with whom he began his career; they were then languishing in the second division. In 1976 after a row with the club official Boniek moved to the RTS (workers club) Widzew Lodz.

He first made an impact on the international scene in the UEFA Cup v Manchester City (season 77-78) by scoring both goals in the 2-2 draw in England which put Widzew through. And he was also instrumental in the triumph over Manchester United in the same competition (1980-81). At that time Boniek was still the most impulsive and often undisciplined player who fell foul of referees and FA officials and this earned him the unflattering nickname 'Crazy Horse'.

The first row occurred in 1979 when he was banned for six months following incidents involving journalists. Then in 1980 he led a players rebellion demanding the reinstatement of team-mate goalkeeper Mlynarczyk, who arrived drunk at the airport before a flight to Italy prior to a World Cup qualifying tie in Malta. He was suspended by the FA and so was Boniek . . . again.

In the national side Boniek celebrated his debut in March 1977 against Argentina. He came to prominence during the 1978 World Cup. The then national team manager Jacek Gmoch had doubts about his temperament.

Yet four years later during the 'Mundial' in Spain Boniek impressed as a most dangerous striker. He scored four goals including a brilliant hat-trick v Belgium. But he missed the semi-final defeat by Italy, returning for the third place match which Poland won against France.

Numerous big clubs abroad became alerted to the class and potential of the dynamic Pole and thanks to their ties with Fiat, who actively support Juventus and have a car plant in Poland, the transfer of Boniek to Italy was arranged during that summer of 1982. At £1m. he easily became the most valuable footballer in Polish history. Boniek soon endeared himself to Italian fans and the general public after being received in a private audience by his most famous compatriot — the Pope. John Paul II, himself an avid soccer fan, made a point of welcoming Boniek to Italy.

With Juventus Boniek celebrated his greatest successes at club level. Within three seasons he won the cup (1983) and league (1984), the Cup Winners Cup (also 1984), plus the Super Cup and the Champions' Cup this last term. In the Cup-winners' Cup final against FC Porto Boniek hit the winner. In the Super Cup he scored both goals in the 2-0 win over Liverpool. And it was thanks to the penalty awarded for a foul on him by Gillespie that Platini shot the winner to give Juventus their first Champions' Cup.

Boniek then made headlines for, after just three hours sleep and barely 19 hours after winning the European Cup in traumatic circumstances, he scored the decisive goal in Poland's World Cup qualifying 1-0 away win over Albania.

For the past year or so rumours have been rife in Turin that Boniek would leave Juventus for whom he scored 31 goals — 14 in 81 league matches, nine in 28 European games and eight in 24 Italian Cup ties. Perhaps, with Roma, he can settle down at last.

ZBIGNIEV BONIEK . . . in one of his first appearances for Roma.

# FIFA GIVE GAME

## Brian Glanville's column

**SEPP BLATTER, secretary of FIFA, has honestly — if shamelessly — given the game away. Now we all know what FIFA stands for under its present regimen; as if we hadn't guessed.**

"Sport-Television-Advertising," he trumpets, in the FIFA News, where Havelange has so often been defied. "A triangle without which the modern world of sport cannot be imagined and which also substantially has helped to shape the sport of today. The infiltration of advertising into sport has taken on undreamt of proportions during the past few years.

"It would have been impossible without the victorious power of television. The latter in turn finds in sport an ideal stage-setting that guarantees a close tie to the television company, the televiewer and the advertising companies. . . . Advertising did not do any harm to sport, to the contrary, it accelerated the latter's emergence as a major part of the entertainment industry and this in fact in a beneficial way . . .

"FIFA is happy to look back and forward to a long and trusting co-operation with television as well as . . . advertising companies . . .

**"Looking at it from this point of view, it is not surprising that many relations (sic) between those responsible of FIFA and the contract parties of television and private industry have gone beyond the scope of business."**

Well, what can he mean by that? Our severe laws of defamation prevent me from speculating too rigorously, but it is an alarming sentence, to say the least of it. An alarming sentence in an alarming and depressing editorial.

Herr Blatter, I believe, has a degree in public relations. His background in football is unknown to me. But if he is probably quite correct to say that the world of modern sport cannot be imagined without the "triangle" of television-sport-advertising, that is not to say for a moment that the consequences have been beneficent; in football or any other realm.

Just look at the repugnant phenomenon of John McEnroe's unpunished behaviour. By and large, he has received no more than a series of slaps on the wrist in tournaments where he should have been unceremoniously disqualified; simply and solely because such tournaments need his money-making presence, such tournaments are so tied in with television, sponsorship and advertising that they have no autonomy, no life of their own.

The scandal of the 1986, Mexican, World Cup is enough in itself to ridicule Herr Blatter's cosy claims. Let us gloss over the reasons for its being given to Mexico at all, for a second time; in so far as we can begin to guess them. Let us simply record the fact that in 1970, as I wrote at the time — and those, to be fair to the fellow, were pre-Havelange days — the World Cup was prostituted to European television.

As a result of its needs, footballers were forced to play, not only at vast altitude, but in intensive heat, sometimes even at noon. That should have been enough to convince the gerarchs of FIFA that no World Cup should ever again be played in Mexico, or any country like it. It didn't. Here we are again, inexcusably, with television, that important side of the deplorable triangle, again calling the tune.

One could broaden the argument indefinitely; not least to the world of athletics, whose commercialisation has increasingly spoiled the sport. How well I remember, as long ago as the 1968 Olympic Games in Mexico City, the squalid battles of the shoe salesmen, pushing their products with the leading athletes!

That advertising, sponsors and the like have had to come into sport, that television now plays so great a part, seems to me a phenomenon to be deeply regretted, rather than celebrated. And now, in England, we have had the spectacle of a football season which began without television.

By the time you read this, no doubt some sort of compromise, some dim *modus vivendi*, will have been reached. Football and television, we are told, need each other. It is especially unfortunate that the screens should have gone dark, or at least been without any football, at the very moment when football itself has its back to the wall, after the twin disasters of Bradford and Brussels.

The opening day of the season saw attendances drop in the First Division, of all places, but as some pointed out at the time, this may have had something to do with the fact that the season started unwontedly early, when many potential fans were on holiday.

Often enough before I have expatiated in these pages on the tangled, troubled relationship between television and football. I do not want to tread too heavily over old ground. But it did seem extraordinary to me, whether or not football was running a risk in turning down television's original offer, that TV itself should be so fixated on "live" football. Their reasoning seems to me extemely doubtful. The audience for "recorded highlights," alias edited and truncated football matches, has gone down. The audience for matches televised live has been much larger. Ergo, there must be at least 14 rather than 10 live league games every season.

But for how long would those audiences remain high? Again, I've said often enough before that, like it or not, televised football is a phenomenon on its own. The fact that it bears, so often, little relation to the "actual" game is irrelevant. Its strength may lie precisely in that fact, that through brilliant camerawork, clever editing, something may be provided which cuts out the long hours of any particular game, to give us something vivid and special in its place. A certain school of criticism has long held that there is danger in this as well — and they may be right. For them, people brought up on a diet of unmitigated thrills haven't the patience to watch while a match unwinds itself.

Perhaps, in that case, live televised football might be a good corrective. Might be. The trouble with it is that your clever editors can no longer get their busy, expert fingers on the footage; they are now the prisoners of football, rather than its masters. They must simply accept what is there, and heaven knows it can often be horribly dull; has indeed been horribly dull on many a Friday night. All the duller because, away from the stadium you miss both the tensions of the atmosphere, and the panoramic view; the tactical subtlety.

Does television, then, keep spectators away from football, or encourage them to go? It will be fairly plain from what I have written that I am sceptical of television's value to football in any direct way; though certainly not as the creator of revenue from shirt and peripheral advertising. Television — and I've said this before, too — essentially creates an audience for television.

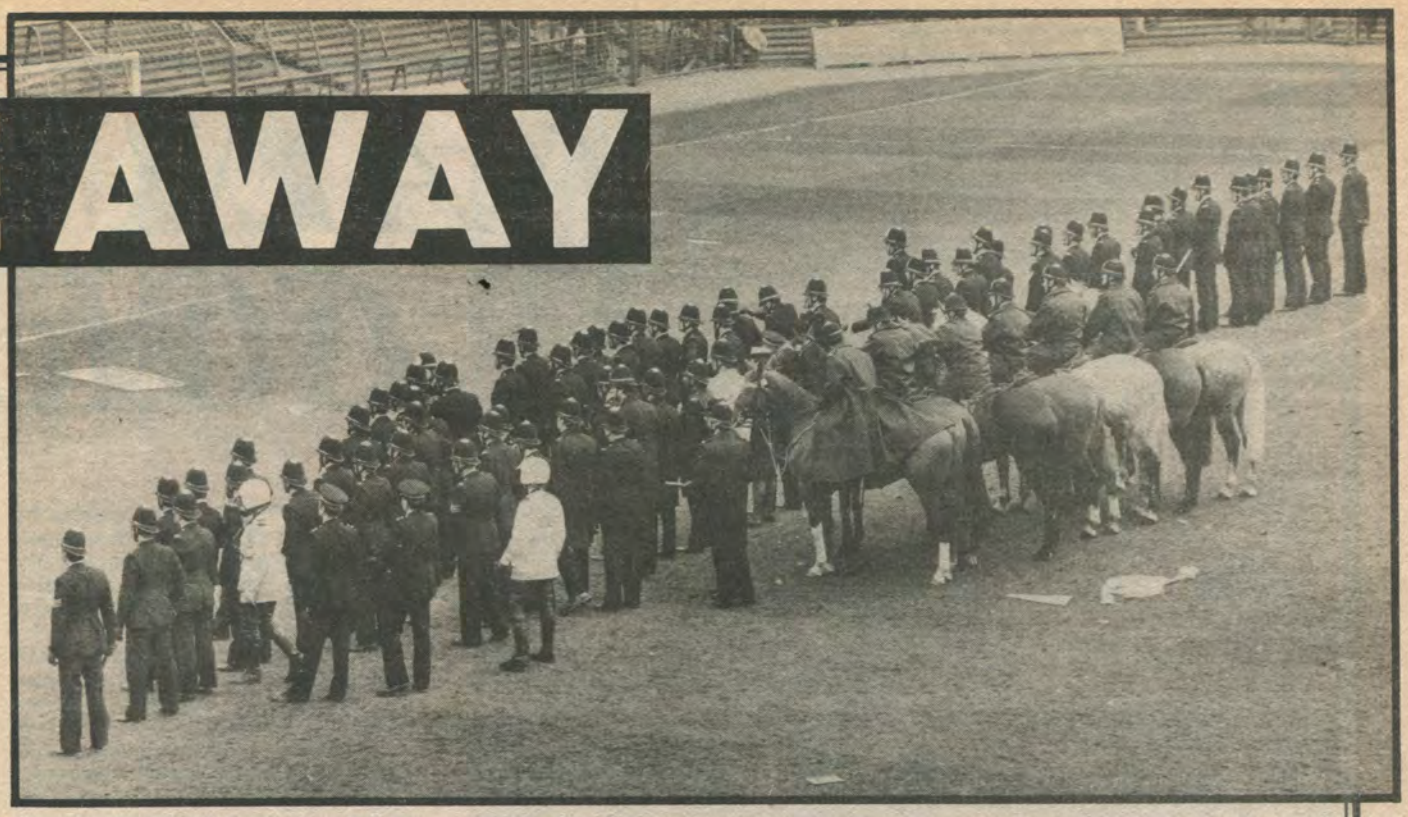
I am quite convinced that the Big Wheels of sports TV are right when they say they can create quite as big an audience for snooker, marbles, or tossing the caber as for football. Put it on telly and people, by and large, will goggle at it. Snooker being the most manifest example of the fact; though darts is a still more arcane and bizarre instance.

BBC have sold out to snooker as totally as commercial television; hour upon shameless hour to the stuff. The feckless people who gawped at Match of the Day will no doubt gawp at darts or snooker instead if they have to.

My own view has long been that televised football keeps people away from football matches, rather than encouraging them to go. I should be fascinated to have a complete season with no televised football on the box, after which we could know where we stand; even if the prospect may be alarming to the clubs which rely so heavily on peripheral and shirt advertising.

But when you remember that the difference between triumph and disaster, economically, for most clubs, even the Arsenals of this world, is represented by your floating fan, it stands to reason that many such must be discouraged from floating into a stadium by the fact that there has been so much football on television. Your committed fan is another matter; but as we have seen, there is not enough of this kind to make professional football feasible.

# ME AWAY



**CONTAINING the hooligans . . . this was the West Midland police solution during last season's Birmingham-Leeds game.**

**THERE IS still an alarmingly long way to go before English clubs are allowed back into European football again; and the axe still hangs, understandably enough, over the England team, in the Nations Cup; not to mention in World Cups to come.**

UEFA keep blethering the same old tune; though for once I've some sympathy with their secretary, Hans Bangerter, when he says that they would like to see some help from the British government, in terms of restraining trouble makers from going abroad. Mrs. Thatcher has made it clear that the government will do nothing to deprive the English hooligan of his inalienable right to go abroad and make a swine of himself, so we must clearly start from the other end.

Start, that is to say, by making it as difficult as humanly possible for any British fan to attend any club or international match in Europe. Horribly unfair, I know, for the decent peaceful fan; but how to sort the wheat from the chaff: The England team, about which Herr Bamgerter was if anything quite restrained, alas draws in its wake psychos and tearaways from all over the country; as we have seen from Basel to Turin, Copenhagen to Luxembourg.

A recent television documentary showed us such thugs in their natural surroundings.

I thought Peter Ackroyd, *The Times* TV critic, was quite right to upbraid the Leicester University sociologists for droning on about such creatures being the product of "working class culture". So much the worse, said Ackroyd, for such a valueless culture.

My own view, that these people are the product of the decline and disintegration of the old working class society, seems to me more valid. These Leicester sociologists produced a book last year called *English Hooligans Abroad*, or some such, whose sole merit was the first hand reporting of John Williams, who mingled with these barbarians in Spain. The theoretical framework seemed to be banal, trite and simplistic. I remember my fluent colleague David Lacey, of *The Guardian*, casting a disdainful eye over the book and remarking, "You might as well say dogs piss on the ground." Precisely.

Meanwhile I am becoming very impatient with the nonsense one reads about "putting our house in order," as if to achieve peace, by whatever means, in domestic football is going to guarantee Europe against the depredations of our hooligans. It might, by pressing the cork down hard into the bottle, have precisely the opposite result. Repressed and thwarted at home, the thugs and brutes might be all the more violent abroad.

Rotten leadership is so often the problem in football. Rotten leadership in FIFA, rotten leadership in EUFA (come back, Artemio Franchi, all is forgotten and forgiven!) rotten leadership in our own domestic game.

Franchi was recently commemorated by a match played for a cup named after him, in Paris, between France and Uruguay. I miss him greatly as a friend and a presence, though he never achieved what he might in any of his footballing domains. In Italy, he used to be accused from time to time of a tendency to *insabbiare;* that is to say, throw sand over things. True enough. His was always in some sense a difficult position; which was why he was so relieved to get out from under his job as president of the Italian Federation.

A clever man of humble beginnings, he'd been taken up by the big, silver-haired Dante Berretti, a large presence in every sense in Tuscan, Florentine football in the 1950s. Always, Franchi depended on the patronage of the big clubs; in his business interests, I surmise, as much as in his footballing career. The son of a cook, once secretary of Fiorentina football club, he bacame a wealthy man in the oil business.

He would always tell you what was going on, was always in private a severe critic of the Havelange administration, once took me aside — in Paris, actually — when I had protested about Italo Allodi's appointment to devise a plan for the coaching centre at Coverciano.

"Ah," said Franchi to me, in a corner of the Crillon, all wise and crafty, "but who says his plan will ever be put into practice?" Well, it was. Not only that; Allodi himself was controversially appointed head of the centre, despite the open contempt and criticism of leading club managers. At some £50,000 a year.

The Beast is Back, by the way. Shown the door by Fiorentina, Allodi is now the chief executive of Naples. *Plus ça change.*

Franchi didn't have much if anything to say — publicly — over such outrageous affairs as the dismissal of the United States' claim for the World Cup in Stockholm, when it has barely been examined. He knew what to do and didn't do it. But I still miss him.

**LIVERPOOL chairman John Smith.**

# PENALTY W FOR CORIT

**UNFANCIED Coritiba, from the town of Parana, won the Brazilian national championship by a penalty against another small club, Bangu of Rio de Janeiro, in the final played at Rio's Maracana stadium in front of 91,500 people.**

Bangu, who had been the pre-match favourites because of their 20-7-3 record in the tournament, had almost 90 per cent of the play and also had a goal annulled as a result of a doubtful offside decision.

Close man-for-man marking produced a poor game. Indio put Caritiba ahead after 26 minutes and Lulinha equalised after 37. Thirty minutes extra time brought no further score and it was left up to a penalty shoot-out. Coritiba netted all five through Indio, Marco Aurelio, Edson, Lela and Vava, while Ado sent Bangu's fifth spot kick wide.

**Coritiba:** Rafael, Andre, Gomes, Heraldo, Dida, Almir (Vava), Marildo (Marco Aurelio), Toby, Lela, Indio, Edson.

**Bangu:** Gilmar, Marcio, Jair, Oliveira, Baby, Israel, Lulinha (Gilson), Mario, Marinho, Joao Claudio (Pingo), Ado.

For both clubs it had been their first final appearance in the national championship. Coritiba had occasionally won the Parana state championship while Bangu, playing in the stronger Rio championship, last won their state title in 1966. They are now however under the presidency of a prosperous banker, Castor de Andrade, who has gradually been putting the club — from a poor suburb of Rio — back on the map.

Bangu's leading player is winger Marinho who had been on the verge of international selection and finished among the national championship's leading scorers with 15 before the final . . . behind Edmar (Guarani of Sao Paulo) 20 and Roberto Dinamita (Vasco da Gama) 16.

Other leading Bangu players under coach Moises are goalkeeper Gilmar, defender Oliveira and left winger Ado, while Coritiba has no leading players with coach Enio Andrade, winner of various championships, being the only well-known member of the staff.

In semi-final action, Bangu had beaten Brasil FC 4-1 on aggregate (1-0, 3-1), while Coritiba beat Atletico Mineiro 1-0 at home and then drew 0-0 away to get through. Only one former national title winner, Atletico Mineiro (1971, 1977) had made the last four, while modest Brasil FC, from Pelotas in the state of Rio Grande do Sul, was also virtually unknown . . . and on this occasion, perhaps for the first time, none of the four semi-finalists lined up any internationals in their teams.

Soccer commentator and former Brazilian national team coach, Joao Saldanha, feels that part of the reason for lower attendances at league games is that the traditionally strong and popular clubs like Flamengo, Fluminense, Corinthians, Santos, Sao Paulo, etc., are not among the honours — "The standard of play has levelled out to its lowest common denominator" — and attributed it to the league schedule which has obliged leading clubs to play too many games against insignificant opponents while they were also using obsolete tactics . . . "like Flamengo's 4-1-2-3".

In the Sao Paulo state championship also one of the smaller clubs, Portuguesa, is topping the table by four points with the first round almost over.

Also in Brazil . . .

## from ERIC WEIL

■ CORINTHIANS of Sao Paulo, Brazil's most popular club jointly with Flamengo, fired coach Carlos Alberto Torres (who captained the Brazilian national team which won the World Cup in 1970) shortly after being eliminated from the national championship at the quarter-final stage although they were joint second in the Sao Paulo league.

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■ FLAMENGO transferred Argentine international goalkeeper Ubaldo Fillol to Atletico Madrid after disagreements with the player.

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■ FLUMINENSE had to get a $250,000 bank loan to pay players' salaries and as guarantee they had to put up their leading player, Paraguayan international midfielder Romero ("Romerito").

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■ FLAMENGO engaged Edu Coimbra, Zico's elder brother who had been in charge of the national team for a time last year, as coach to replace Mario Zegalo who resigned. But two days later Edu also resigned as a result of protests from fans at his engagement. Edu, who had recently been fired by Rio rivals Vasco da Gama, preferred to take up a coaching job with Iraq's national team instead.

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■ SOCRATES, the former Corinthians and national team captain, returned from Italy's Fiorentina, hoping to play for modest Sao Paulo state side Ponte Preta who were reported to have paid $1m. for him with the aid of a group of business firms. But Socrates, for whom Fiorentina paid $1.8m.last year, said he had put up part of the cash for his own transfer back to Brazil.

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■ FALCAO, the 31-year-old international midfielder, returned after five seasons in Italy with Roma to sign a one-year contract with Sao Paulo for $500,000 . . . also with the help of a group of businesses.

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■ ANOTHER international, winger Eder, also signed for Sao Paulo after a four months dispute with his former club, Atletico Mineiro. Eder is reported to be getting a $7,000 monthly salary and is free to go if a suitable offer from abroad is received.

## *Argentina: ARGENTINOS JUNIORS CONTINUE TO SURPRISE*

**MODEST Argentinos Juniors — who won the first division title for the first time last season — are well in the running for honours again this season. Winning their first five games in a row, they only lost their lead when they had a bye and now trail River Plate by a point, but with a game in hand.**

River Plate retained that lead in the last game before press time when they managed a 0-0 draw away to Argentinos Juniors. It was the first point lost by Argentinos in six games, but the game did not live up to expectations between the two teams playing the most attractive soccer in the championship.

Instead there was a lot of square passing and slow moves which gave both defences time to close gaps and there was little danger to the goals. Both sides devoted a lot of effort to fighting for possession, leaving little time for creative soccer.

For once River Plate's midfield star, Uruguayan international Francescoli, was not in the thick of the action, perhaps due to a tactical error, being placed in an attacking position on the wing. Midfielder Batista outshone him for Argentinos Juniors who came much closer to opening the score in the second half.

The top of the table clash was watched by only 24,000 paying spectators as gates continue to drop with very few first division games drawing over 10,000.

**Argentinos Juniors:** Mendoza, Villalba, Pavoni, Olguin, Domenech, Videla, Batista, Lemme, Castro, Borghi, Ereros.

**River Plate:** Pumpido, Sapporiti, Borelli, Ruggeri, Gordillo, Enrique, Gallego, Alonso, Amuchastegui, Francescoli, Alfaro (Gorosito).

Argentinos Juniors have sold their leading goal scorer,. Pasculli, to Italy since last season and are scoring fewer goals — only seven in their first six games — but they only conceded one during that period. This is not due to a general tightening up in defence as the team remains true to its attractive attacking style, but rather to a shortage of goal scorers. A lot of strikers have been sold to foreign clubs recently. Argentinos went 388 minutes before having a goal scored against them in the current championship and the average number of goals per game being scored overall is only 1.97.

At the same time, Argentinos Juniors are top of their group in the Libertadores Cup and seemingly headed for a semi-final place. And they are also in the final of the national championship as winners section winners and are due to face losers section winners Velez Sarsfield — who, curiously, are bottom of the first division — for the title.

Libertadores Cup and national championship games have been played in mid-

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week and as a result Argentinos Juniors, one of the smaller clubs with a smaller playing staff, have twice already played complete reserve teams in league matches to rest their first teamers.

The surprise was that on both occasions they beat big clubs — San Lorenzo 1-0 and Independiente 2-1. Curiously on both occasions the winner was scored by players from countries not usually supplying players to Argentine soccer — Renato Corsi, a US player of Italian descent, against San Lorenzo and Panamanian Dely Valdez against Independiente.

Dark-skinned Valdez, 21, who actually came here on a coaching course and to learn the game, has become a favourite with the Argentinos fans who call him "Pele's brother". The Argentinos reserves play the same type of attractive attacking soccer as their first team . . . and have been just as effective.

Also in Argentina . . .

■ BOCA Juniors striker Centurion (transferred from Union Santa Fe) scored three goals in five minutes in their 6-0 away win over newly-promoted Gimnasia y Esgrima de La Plata recently . . . the highest first division win so far this season.

■ TALLERES Córdoba, one of two teams without a win so far, but with six draws in seven games to their credit, because their attack (only two goals) has been very poor, rely heavily in defence on returned Luis Galvan, 35, and two other veterans from Cesar Menotti's 1978 World Cup winning squad — Oviedo and Valencia.

■ LEAGUE top scorer Francescoli (five goals for River Plate) heads a legion of 35 Uruguayan players in Argentine first and second division soccer and there are also 10 Paraguayans, four Colombians, a Chilean, a Portuguese, a Japanese and the already mentioned US and Panamanian players.

## In Uruguay: ONE MONTH RECESS . . . LOW GATES

**WITH first division league gates averaging only just over 2,000, the Uruguayan championship went into a month's recess to allow clubs to try and get bigger gates in friendly games and tours, although only leaders Peñarol had gone abroad (to play in Europe).**

There were three unbeaten teams — Peñarol, Danubo and Cerro. Peñarol topped the table with 12 points from eight games, including four draws. They pack experience, but show a lack of energy in most games after taking the lead. Danubio, with 11 points from seven games, continue to be the sensation although they lost the lead since selling their young centre-forward, Ruben Sosa — still league top scorer with seven goals in spite of not having played for the last three weeks — to Spain's Zaragoza.

Danubio attract for their attacking soccer as coach Raul Beancor sends his halves up to play as insiders in an "old fashioned" attacking formation.

Cerro, with 10 points from seven games, including four draws, rely mostly on the well-tried defence and counter-attack system.

Traditionally strong Nacional are down in ninth place of the 13-team first division with only five goals in seven games and seven points. At press time well-known Luis Cubilla, a former Uruguayan international, was engaged as coach to change their fortunes, replacing former player Ildo Maneiro who resigned. Cubilla is the fourth coach at Nacional this year.

Uruguay's two big clubs, Peñarol and Nacional, are trying to improve their income with a series of eight games for the "Gold Cup". Peñarol, basing their soccer on strength and fighting for the ball by halves Bossio and Saralegui while leaving creation only to Zalazar, won the first two classes 6-4 on penalties (after a 1-1 draw) and 4-0 in front of gates of 20,000 and 30,000.

Guest players are allowed (to increase interest) and in the second clash Peruvian internationals Velazquez and Hurtado lined up for Nacional and Peñarol respectively. Out of form Velazquez played only the first half — for which he was paid $1,500 — but Hurtado had an outstanding game for Peñarol and scored a goal.

Meanwhile, River Plate and Sud America, fighting to avoid relegation, were involved in a bribery case and the former's club manager was jailed for trying to bribe a Sud America player.

**IVAN and Edevaldo of Vasco da Gama head clear during an Argentinos Juniors attack in the Libertadores Cup-tie which the Argentines won 2-1.**

## In Chile: COBRELOA BACK AT TOP . . .

**COBRELOA, the provincial team from the copper mining district of Calama, were back at the top of the first division (which is nearing the halfway stage).**

Under new coach, former Chilean international Jorge Toro, they have retained their basic style and regularity despite moving out several key players, the latest being international forward Hugo Rubio to Spain's Malaga for $200,000. They lead by a point from modest Magallanes.

Popular Colo Colo meanwhile dropped halfway down the table with a run of 10 winless games. Several newcomers have been brought into the team, while key midfielder Vasconcelos has bought his own contract for $40,000 and moved to Ecuador's Barcelona, while Cascely, who does not see eye to eye with coach José García, is out of the team.

Chilean FA officials estimate that 200,000 fewer fans than last year have watched first division games so far this season and club debts run to over $5m.

# MEXIC

## Special World Socce

***IT IS just over two years ago that Velibor Milutinovic — known simply as Bora to the Mexicans — was appointed coach to the Mexican national team.***

*During that time, Mexico have made important progress, and with the World Cup less than eight months away the team is beginning to show the sort of cohesive teamwork and intelligent tactical approach which argues that Bora's distinctive style is beginning to pay dividends.*

*The team has played a total of 29 games under Bora, and although some of the 17 victories have been against second or third-rate opposition, there have also been some good wins against stronger teams. After a series of easy wins against weak club and national sides, Mexico were very much brought down to earth on February 4 last year when they crashed 5-0 to world champions Italy in Rome.*

*Many then felt that the promising start made by Bora was a flash in the pan, and that the Mexican side would be unable to improve on its dismal showing in the World Cup qualifiers when they were eliminated by the El Salvador team that later lost 10-0 to Hungary in Spain.*

*Six months later, however, Bora was to prove that there are reasons for regarding this side as one of the best ever fielded by Mexico. Despite a poor showing against Russia (0-3), a tour of Europe in August with three draws, two wins and one defeat, proved that the Mexicans can play their distinctive stop-start, attacking football to good effect against European teams.*

*Perhaps more important, the outstanding result of the tour, the 2-0 win against Hungary, saw the birth of what has become the basis of the team's subsequent success — the use of up to five midfield players who can provide the necessary flair, creativity and goal-scoring prowess to compensate for the lack of goal-scorers and effective wingers.*

*An end-of-year tour of South America, with draws against Argentina and Uruguay, and a lack-lustre defeat in Chile, confirmed the effectiveness of the new formation, and gave rise to what can now be considered as the solid core of players with whom Bora is planning Mexico's campaign in the World Cup.*

*Recent home wins against Poland (5-0), England (1-0) and West Germany (2-0) ought not, perhaps, be taken too seriously, as all three European teams were clearly suffering the effects of the heat and the altitude — the two greatest problems facing European players in next year's tournament. Nonetheless, the game did show a Mexican team playing with a unified tactical sense and a certain efficiency that augur well for the future. They also showed up the sort of problems the Mexicans can have against tight, European-style man-to-man marking, and the lack of attacking imagination to crack open a really tight defence.*

*Bora is the first person to underline the fact that what matters at this stage of the World Cup preparations are not so much results as the consolidation of the team's tactical understanding. What is of enormous importance is the fact that the Mexican Football Federation has given him the sort of working conditions any national team coach would dream of.*

*As from July 14, Bora has been working with a 17-strong squad on a permanent basis, running it very much as a club side, with almost weekly practice matches. This obviously enables Bora to present one of the best-prepared sides in the World Cup, as long as he is able to avoid the boredom and home sickness which the players might feel if they are kept in isolation for too long. However, Bora has a practical, human approach to his job which suggests he will strike the right balance between discipline and relaxation.*

**MEXICO star Tomas Boy.**

*What distinguishes the Mexican side is the technical skill of the players and their disconcerting ability to create scoring chances in situations which seem to offer none. This capacity is built on two crucial factors: firstly the understanding between players, which opens up possibilities for the man on the ball to pass into space with the confidence that there will be a player moving forward to receive the ball, or the possibility of using unexpected variations to wrong-foot or deceive the opposing defences.*

*The use of dummy-runs, back-heeled passes of allowing the ball to run past, or through the legs of one player to be received by another in a better position are all commonplace devices used in attack by the Mexicans. Added to this technical skill is the ability to carry out attacks at high speed and with considerable precision.*

*This does not mean that the Mexicans play flat out for 90 minutes in the English style. There are relatively long periods in which they push the ball around in midfield, or wait patiently at the back, absorbing pressure, or string together series of passes around the edge of the box, switching play from one side of the field to another, looking for the decisive opening which offers the possibility of a clear shot at goal.*

*It is then that the element of speed becomes all-important, with the sudden switch of rhythm, looking to exploit the arrival of a defender on the wing, or the possibility of a one-two against a defence which has momentarily had its marking disarrayed by the constant rotation of the attacking players.*

*The match-winning goal scored by Luis Flores against England on June 9 illustrates the effectiveness of this style. Eighteen minutes into the first half, England lost possession just outside the Mexican penalty area. Tomas Boy who, along with Manuel Negrete is largely responsible for orchestrating the changes of gear, realised that Miguel España and Luis Flores were advancing rapidly towards the England goal, and that Flores was sufficiently far left to elude his marker. He moved the ball rapidly on to España, who went straight for the goal. As he entered the area, and as two England defenders closed on him to block his shot, he sent a perfectly-timed pass out to Flores.*

*Bailey was left with absolutely no chance by a well-struck shot into the top right hand corner of the goal, and Mexico had scored the only goal of the match. Speed, teamwork and the effective use of changes of pace and direction are essential ingredients in this Mexican team's success.*

*Inevitably, there are weaknesses in the side. Traditionally Latin American players are not as strong in the air as the Europeans, and Mexico are no exception. Quirarte is the most effective defender against crosses, but it would be no surprise to see Mexico struggling against a*

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# Soccer Report

## From Tim Edwards in Mexico City

team able to use high balls into the area to good effect.

Secondly, there are times when the side seems unable to function together, when the imagination is replaced by inaccuracy, misunderstanding and truculence, and the standard of the team drops disastrously. This has as much to do with the characters of the individual players as with the complexity of their tactical approach to the game, but could prove to be a weighty handicap in next year's World Cup, especially as the competition has been restored to a knock-out basis that leaves little room for capricious or inconsistent play.

The great incognita about the Mexican team is what effect Real Madrid's recent signing, goal scorer Hugo Sanchez will have on the team's performance. Sanchez, who had an excellent 1984-5 season in Spain with Atletico Madrid, winning the individual goal-scoring trophy, played with UNAM under Bora before his transfer to Spain. Five of the regular first-team choices are also from UNAM, which should facilitate Sanchez's integration into the team.

There is a place open for him in the squad, but with striker Luis Flores showing excellent from recently, some Mexicans are asking whether Sanchez will be able to secure his place next summer. The conditions of his recent transfer to Real Madrid, which was effected with UNAM acting as intermediary, is reported to have included flexible terms for Sanchez' playing in some of the team's preparatory games.

Due to the fact that Bora is going to be working permanently with a reduced 17-man squad, it can be expected that Mexico will be kept busy during the coming months. Apart from the Bulgaria and Uruguay fixtures, Mexico were also hoping to play East Germany and Costa Rica.

The Mexican Football Federation has yet to announce the full pre-World Cup fixtures calendar, but there are reports of strong interest in playing in Mexico from several of next year's finalists, including Brazil and Argentina.

The reduced Mexico squad training with Bora is: Javier Aguirre, Rafael Amador, Tomas Boy (capt), Felix Cruz, Carlos de los Cobos, Alex Dominguez, Miguel España, Luis Flores, Carlos Hermosillo, Pablo Larios, Armando Manzo, Carlos Muñoz, Manuel Negrete, Fernando Quirarte, Raul Servin and Mario Trejo.

| Date | Venue | Opponents | Result | Scorers |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 22.3.83 | Mexico | Costa Rica | 1-0 | Marquez |
| 5.4.83 | Los Angeles | Guatemala | 2-0 | Diaz. Padilla |
| 25.10.83 | Los Angeles | El Salvador | 5-0 | Aguirre. Padilla. Manzo. Diaz (2) |
| 22.11.83 | Morelia. Mexico | Sweden | 2-0 | Diaz. Chavez |
| 20.12.83 | Los Angeles | Atletico Madrid | 2-2 | Aguirre (2) (M): Sanchez. Rubio (AM) |
| 24.1.84 | Irapuato. Mexico | Venezuela | 3-0 | Aguirre. Hernandez. Negrete |
| 4.2.84 | Italy | Italy | 0-5 | Rossi (3). Bagni. Conti |
| 28.2.84 | Jalisco. Mexico | Guadalajara | 0-0 | |
| 2.8.84 | Mexico City | Vasas of Hungary | 4-3 | Boy (2). Aguirre. de la Torre (M): Kuruzs. Gyula. Judik (V) |
| 8.8.84 | Dublin | N. Ireland | 0-0 | |
| 11.8.84 | E. Berlin | East Germany | 1-1 | Quirarte (M). Bracks (EG) |
| 16.8.84 | Helsinki | Finland | 3-0 | Aguirre. Hernandez. Negrete |
| 19.8.84 | Leningrad | USSR | 0-3 | Rodionov (2). Blokhin |
| 22.8.84 | Malmo | Sweden | 1-1 | Aguirre (M): Prytz (S) |
| 25.8.84 | Budapest | Hungary | 2-0 | Negrete. Boy |
| 18.9.84 | Monterrey. Mexico | Argentina | 1-1 | Islas (og): Burruchaga (A) |
| 9.11.84 | Los Angeles | Columbia | 1-0 | Boy |
| 11.11.84 | Los Angeles | El Salvador | 1-0 | Jimenez |
| 25.11.84 | Buenos Aires | Argentina | 1-1 | Flores (M): Garecca (A) |
| 28.11.84 | Santiago | Chile | 0-1 | Aravena |
| 31.11.84 | Montevideo | Uruguay | 1-1 | Nadal (U): Munoz (M) |
| 6.12.84 | Sao Paulo | Palmeiras | 2-0 | Boy. Aguirre |
| 11.12.84 | Port of Spain | Trinidad Tobago | 2-0 | Aguirre. Espana |
| 14.12.84 | Los Angeles | Ecuador | 3-2 | Aguirre. Trejo. Flores (M): Denegri. Villafuerte (E) |
| 5.2.85 | Queretaro. Mexico | Poland | 5-0 | Boy. Negrete (2) Cruz. Flore |
| 5.3.85 | Los Angeles | Fiorentina | 1-0 | Sanchez |
| 2.6.85 | Mexico City | Italy | 1-1 | Aguirre (M): Di Gennaro (I) |
| 9.6.85 | Mexico City | England | 1-0 | Flores |
| 16.6.85 | Mexico City | West Germany | 2-0 | Negrete. Flores |

| P | W | D | L | For | Against |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 29 | 17 | 9 | 3 | 48 | 22 |

Scorers: Aguirre 10: Boy. Negrete 6: Flores. Diaz 5: Padilla. Chavez 2: Marquez. de la Torre. Quirarte. Hernandez. Jimenez. Munoz. Espana. Trejo. Cruz. Sanchez 1.

## In Colombia: AMERICA WELL AHEAD

**AMERICA (Cali), the defending champions, are running away with the honours again. Following their 1-0 win over town rivals Deportivo Cali, they lead the second stage of the Colombian professional league and the overall table (to qualify for the eight-team final round) by three points over Deportivo.**

America, coached by national team coach Ochoa Uribe, played a far more ordered game against their rivals who did all the running to little effect and had two men sent off for rough play.

## In Paraguay: NACIONAL AND OLIMPIA MAKE FINALS

**NACIONAL won the second stage of the Paraguayan first division in spite of losing their last match 1-0 to Guarani — after having gone 13 games unbeaten — to qualify for the final round together with second placed Olimpia.**

The latter had already qualified by finishing second in the first stage behind Cerro Porteño who are also in the final round. A third stage is now being played from which the top two also qualify for the final round.

## In Peru: UNIVERSITARIO REGIONAL CHAMPIONS

**UNIVERSITARIO de Deportes won the regional championship in Peru with a 3-1 final victory over Colegio Nacional de Iquitos in an eight-club play-off between the champions of the northern, central and southern zones and the top four clubs in the metropolitan championship.**

The victory earned Universitario the right to represent Peru in next year's Libertadores Cup together with the winner of the 16-club decentralised championship in which leading clubs from the four zonal competitions are currently taking part. Universitario are the defending champions.

## In Bolivia: THE STRONGEST AHEAD

**THE Strongest has a three-point lead over Jorge Wilsterman in the Bolivian national league now in its eighth season.**

Champions Blooming are well down the table 10 points behind and as a result Raul Pino, their Chilean coach for the last two seasons, has resigned under pressure.

## In Ecuador: COLOMBIA'S VILARETE THE SENSATION

**BARCELONA lead Filanbanco by one point (and a game in hand) with six games to go in the first stage of Ecuador's first division, but Deportivo Quito have shot up to third place since getting striker Emilio Vilarete, a Colombian international who scored six goals in his first three games for them.**

Also moving up the table are champions Nacional who postponed several games while qualifying for the semi-finals of the Libertadores Cup and now trail Barcelona by 11, but with five games in hand.

# Nelsinho paints dismal picture

**NELSON MARTINES, coach of Rio club Fluminense and better known as "Nelsinho" paints a dismal future for professional soccer in Brazil and the South American continent as a whole.**

And one of the first victims could be the apparently popular Libertadores Cup for the South American club championship.

Nelsinho feels that the fans — the bread and butter of pro soccer — are disappearing from stadiums because they are becoming more and more aware of the fact that the game is more of a business than a sport.

"Brazil is passing through the worst moment of its soccer history, because no new star players are appearing and the game is becoming more a trial of strength than ability," he says. "And the proof is that Fluminense, considered to be one of Brazil's three best club sides of the moment, is bottom of its group in the Libertadores Cup."

Nelsinho says that another problem in his country is that those in charge of finding new players "do not give enough importance to ability. Instead they look for athletes who can run and run without getting tired."

Nelsinho believes that professional soccer will not last into the 21st century and speaking of South America in particular, he thinks that unless standards recuperate rapidly, countries from that continent will not have much of a chance in the World Cup finals in Mexico next year. Another blow for Brazil is that Tele Santana, a believer in the return to skilful soccer who took Brazil through this year's World Cup qualifying rounds, has returned to resume his coaching contract in Saudi Arabia and says he has no intention of coming back.

Nelsinho was speaking in Buenos Aires shortly before his team faced FC Oeste in the Libertadores Cup . . . and his point was proved a few hours later. Only just over 4,000 fans paid to see the game which was vital for the chances of both. A few days earlier, the meeting of two classic Rio rivals, Fluminense and Vasco da Gama, in the Libertadores Cup, was watched by 14,000 fans at the giant Maracana stadium.

Argentine clubs had dominated the Brazilians in group one from the outset and at press time the semi-finalists to complete the line-up was going to be either Argentinos Juniors or FC Oeste, the Argentine first division and national champions respectively.

Group play opened traditionally with a draw between two teams from the same country — Brazil's Vasco da Gama and Fluminense playing to a 3-3 draw in quite an entertaining game in front of 37,000 fans — by far the largest gate registered so far in the group. Fluminense's Paraguayan international star midfielder Romero ("Romerito") scored twice and Nené netted two for Vasco.

## from Eric Weil

In Buenos Aires, FC Oeste got away with both points from Argentinos Juniors as they so often do . . . with a 1-0 win. Gonzalez netted a goal, starting off on his way to becoming the group's leading scorer. But FC Oeste won, because it had rained all day — there were barely 500 fans in the stadium — and the field was a lake. Consequently Argentinos Juniors, without doubt the better footballing side, could not play their usual attractive short-passing and all-out attack game with success.

But Argentinos, playing in the tournament for the first time, made their better soccer tell in Brazil from where they brought back all four points, beating Vasco 2-1 and three days later Fluminense 1-0. In the latter match, Argentinos were too preoccupied with stopping Romero before finally taking control of the situation when Lemme scored the winner 13 minutes from the end.

Vasco then came to Buenos Aires and showed they were no threat in losing 2-0 to FC Oeste, Gonzalez scoring both goals . . . and the margin should have been higher. But Vasco improved a few days later when they held Argentinos Juniors to a 2-2 draw. On the other hand, the Argentine champions did not play their usual game and only equalised a minute from the end through their captain, Domenech.

While Fluminense and Vasco played to an uneventful 0-0 draw in Rio which did neither of them any good, Argentinos gained revenge for their only defeat by winning 3-1 against FC Oeste. Leading scorer Gonzalez put Oeste ahead and actually his team did enough to keep the lead as they pressed much more, but they are notoriously weak in front of goal — except from dead-ball situations — and three goals in 13 first half minutes left Argentinos top of the group with three more points than FC Oeste, but two extra games played.

In group five, for the first time in the history of the Libertadores Cup, the South American Confederation allowed three games to be cancelled because they had no bearing on the standings. When Ecuador's champions, Nacional, beat Sport Boys, champions of Peru, in Lima, they made sure of first place by winning their fifth game in a row. There were still three games to play in the group, but cancellation requests were granted to avoid financial losses.

**WORLD CUP CHASE**

**THE runners-up of the three South American World Cup qualifying groups (and the third of group one) play-off in October and November for one remaining finals place. Peru face Chile while Paraguay play Colombia. The winners, on aggregate, will face each other home and away.**

Peru will rely on the players which clinched second place behind Argentina in group one, according to coach Roberto Challe who also wants former international Teofilo Cubillas as his assistant. This was resisted by several officials who feel that Cubillas, currently living in Miami, has been out of touch with South American soccer for too long.

When Challe named a 25-man squad for preparations on August 20, however, it included six newcomers, five from Alianza Lima who had just won the Metropolitan championship. Current champions Universitario still have the largest representation — seven players.

**HUGO MARADONA, younger brother of Diego and a prominent member of Argentina's under-16 team in China, caused a storm when he left for Italy in August to live with his brother and train at the latter's club, Napoli.**

Hugo is registered as an amateur with Diego's old club, Argentinos Juniors under his father's signature (as he is a minor). It is a well-known fact that the Maradona family want a career for Hugo in Europe. But Argentinos Juniors claim that if Hugo signs for any club in Europe it will have to pay them a transfer fee.

While Hugo has never signed a professional contract, the question of a transfer fee may never come into it, but the Maradona family have, reluctantly, agreed to pay Argentinos 15 per cent of any fee. The club says this is not enough and that they would take the case to court.

**JOAO SALDANHA, the Brazilian commentator and former manager, says it is "criminal" to organise tournaments like the recent under-16 world championship in China.**

"The youngster is treated like an adult, but he isn't one. These tournaments are bad for them and only create vices in them. These boys should be left to play in parks, beaches, streets without the traumatic object of trying to become champions."

Saldanha, in a direct attack on FIFA, says: "Soccer today is plagued by financial considerations," and blamed his compatriot, FIFA president Joao Havelange "who introduced Coca Cola into China and brought that country into FIFA. Today every Chinaman who buys a Coca Cola brings profit to FIFA."

**JUAN RAMON VERON, Estudiantes de la Plata (Argentina) winger when the club won the Libertadores Cup three years running from 1968 to 1970 and generally known as "Brujo" (witch) for his bewitching runs, broke his leg in August while playing for a minor league team and decided to give up the game at the age of 41. As soon as he is able to walk again he will take over as coach of the team, Juventud Unida of General Madariaga.**

# Information desk

WITH the British football fan, for the 16th year, is the *Rothmans Football Yearbook 1985-86*.

Published by Queen Anne Press (Maxwell House, 74 Worship Street, London EC2A 2EN) the bible of the domestic game is this year priced at £9.95 paperback and £13.95 hardback.

Since costs and prices are always creeping upwards this means that next year's volume could be an interesting one — since it must be doubtful whether the publishers will be too happy at taking the paperback version over the £10 threshold.

Will that mean changes in format and content? We shall see. As for the present version, it's the impressive mixture much as before . . . right down to the same boring old cover design with its encircled action picture.

Obviously sponsors Rothams must have their famous blue in large abundance but something more imaginative might be done with the picture — in this case a duel between Peter Reid and Tony Woodcock.

One new feature which will appeal to *World Soccer* readers in this latest issue is an acrostic chart of last season's league results in West Germany, France, Italy, Holland, Belgium, Spain and Portugal.

Editor Peter Dunk has done his usual first-class job in maintaining the detailed facts and figures of the last domestic season. But again one wonders — with the challenge of other rivals around the corner — when further detail (dates of birth, transfer fees, etc) will be included in the club squads sections.

A further quibble relates to the international section. The home countries' line-ups etc for World Cup ties are given only in the World Cup section — making it impossible to conveniently check back on match and line-up sequences for the season as a whole.

These are, of course, minor issues. Rothmans remains the most impressive fund of information on the domestic game and is well worth the money.

Also from the Queen Anne Press stable — and also involving the editorial guidance of Peter Dunk, along with Lionel Francis — is the *Playfair Football Annual 1985-86* (£1.95). The Playfair name is a famous old sports handbook title which has lately been revived by Queen Anne Press with the addition of various other sports.

Plenty of (scaled-down) information at a very competitive price.

Finally, one more autumn regular: the *International Football Book No 27* (edited by Hallam Gordon; published at £6.95 by Souvenir Press, 43 Great Russell Street, London WC1 3PA.

Plenty of varied articles about the world game and also at a very competitive price. The quality of content in the IFB has varied little over the years and the editor has coped as well as possible in preparing a "Special World Cup issue" when few of the finalists are known and the event was (at text preparation time) around a year away!

IN REPLY TO . . .

**Brian Surette, Hull, Mass.:** The only advice possible with regard to US/UK video compatibility is to seek advice from the firms who occasionally advertise soccer video films for sale in our Shop Window column.

**Brian Mudder, Barry, S. Glamorgan:** We do not sell pictures. Try writing to the Picture Library, Press Association, Fleet Street, London EC4.

**J. Stevenson, Killamarsh, Sheffield:** Goalscorers in European competitions for all the clubs you list can be found in back numbers of the relevant *News of the World* etc football annuals for those seasons. These are often advertised for sale in columns such as Shop Window. All Champions' Cup goalscorers are listed in the book The European Cup (Motson and Rowlinson), published by Queen Anne Press, BPSS, 74 Worship Street, London EC2A 3EN.

**P. M. Hynes, Alnwick, Northumberland:** FC St Pauli were in the West German first division for one season, 1977-78. They have now been reduced to the amateur Oberliga Nord. Address: FC St Pauli, Auf dem Heiligengeistfeld, 2000 Hamburg 4. Colours: Brown and white. The nearest major club to Bonn is 1. FC Köln (Cologne).

**D. Phillips, Urmston, Manchester:** Probably the five top derbies in the world game are Milan v Internazionale, Rangers v Celtic, Boca Juniors v River Plate, and Liverpool v Everton. Others worth including in any list would be Arsenal v Tottenham, Fluminense v Flamengo and Penarol v Nacional (Uruguay). On the same level — and perhaps even more desperately felt even though it's not a *local* derby — is Real Madrid v Barcelona.

**R. Jennings, Wednesfield, Wolverhampton:** Addresses of requested clubs as follows: Athletic Bilbao, Estadio San Mames, Felipe Serrates/n, Bilbao, Spain; FC Porto, Avenida Fernao de Magalhaes, 4300 Oporto, Portugal; NK Hajduk, Stadion Poljud, 58000 Split, Yugoslavia; Panathinaikos, Armatolon-Klefton 47, Athens, Greece; FC Partizan, Humska 1 (stadion JNA), 11000 Belgrade, Yugoslavia; Raba Vasas ETO, Nagy S.J.u. 31, 9027 Győr, Hungary; SK Rapid Wien, 1140 Vienna, Keislergasse 6, Austria; SK Beveren-Waas, Freetheil stadion, Klapperstraat 151, 1750 Beveren, Belgium; SC Braga, Praca Conde de Agrolongo 126-1, 4700 Braga, Portugal.

**J. Fernandez, Santander, Spain:** Addresses as follows: Arsenal, Arsenal Stadium, Highbury, London N5; Aston Villa, Villa Park, Trinity Road, Birmingham B6 6HE; Chelsea FC, Stamford Bridge, London SW6; Everton FC, Goodison Park, Liverpool L4 4EL; Liverpool FC, Anfield Road, Liverpool 4; Manchester Utd FC, Old Trafford, Manchester M16 0RA; Tottenham Hotspur FC, 748 High Road, Tottenham, London N17; West Ham Utd, Boleyn Ground, Green Street, Upton Park, London E13. Write to Bobby Charlton c/o Manchester United, Ray Clemence c/o Tottenham, Bobby Moore c/o Southend Utd, Roots Hall Ground, Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, Essex.

**David McLaughlin, Loughborough, Leics:** Luxembourg and Poland national team line-ups are featured regularly in the International Review section. We have not seen recent line-ups of the other nations mentioned. For the more obscure countries you might consider advertising in the pen pals section.

**C. Banks, Haydock, St Helens, Merseyside:** To write to Juventus, the address is: Juventus Football Club, Galleria San Federico 54, 10121 Torino, Italy.

**Michael Corcoran, Dublin:** As soon as FIFA issue a new, updated international referees list we hope to publish it in *World Soccer*.

**JOE WORRALL . . . one of the best of the 'new' top English referees.**

**Paddy McGuinness, Annalong, co Down:** Back numbers of *World Soccer* containing all those articles you mention are available on request.

**Craig Smith:** The only current book which lists all FIFA members' national colours is the *National Associations of FIFA* handbook issued by the world federation. The most recent revision was published in 1982. For further information contact FIFA, FIFA-Haus, Hitziweg 11, 8032 Zurich, Switzerland.

**Steven Atkin, Harrogate, N. Yorkshire:** IFK Sundsvall of the Swedish second division play in white shirts, blue shorts and blue socks. Club address for further information: IFK Sundsvall, Box 293, 851 05 Sundsvall (060), Sweden.

**Roger Seys, Eastergate, Chichester, W. Sussex:** Venues for the mentioned World Cup qualifying ties were as follows: Both Antigua-Haiti matches in Port-au-Prince; UAE v Saudi Arabia in Dubai; Lebanon withdrew from their group so their first matches are expunged from the records; the Iraq-Jordan match was played in Kuwait.

NOTE . . . historical/statistical queries can be answered only through this column. So, please, no stamped addressed envelopes.

# Wheeling an in summer

## World Soccer Diary compil

**FOR ALL the talk about professional football's financial crisis, the wheeler-dealing went on much the same, in the summer transfer markets in Europe.**

There were some surprise moves such as Alex Czerniatynski's switch from Anderlecht to old rival Standard Liege in Belgium, while in Spain, Real Madrid spent around £3 million and Panathinaikos in Greece also spent heavily.

The only country where there was a notable cut-back in buying and selling was West Germany. Most clubs made one signing of note, but filled the rest of their gaps with cheap buys from the regional leagues or by promoting teenagers from their own youth squads.

Sign of things to come?

**MAIN MOVES**

**AUSTRIA — SSW Innsbruck:** Hansi Müller (from Internazionale).

**BELGIUM: — Anderlecht:** Janssen (Waterschei), N'Gabu, M'Bemba (Etoile Zaire), Lozano (Real Madrid), Mortensen (Aarhus). **Antwerp:** Deferm (Mechelen), Schippers (Beerschot), Heerwegh (Lokeren). **Beerschot:** Goossens (Lierse), Peeraer (Beveren), Daenen (Gand), Talbut (Mechelen), Hofkens (Anderlecht). **Cercle:** Bojovic (Radnicki Nis). **Kortrijk:** Desnica (Rijeka), Mariman (Antwerp). **Gand:** Hinderyckx (Brugge), Nollet (Beerschot), Verheecke (Brugge). **Lierse:** Vermeiren (Antwerp). **Mechelen:** Martens (Gand), Koeman (Groningen). **RWDM:** Billen (Mechelen). **Standard:** Czerniatynski (Anderlecht), Repcic (Fenerbahce).

**FRANCE — Auxerre:** Merelle (Paris SG), Burcsa (Videotron). **Bastia:** Lacuesta (Lyon), Furic (Nantes), Soler (Strasbourg). **Bordeaux:** Pascal, De Bono (Marseille), Reinders (Werder Bremen). **Brest:** V. Petrovic (Antwerp), Roch (Marseille). **Laval:** Segura, Tinmar (PSG). **Le Havre:** Guillochon (PSG), Krimau (Tours). **Lens:** Njo Lea (PSG), Carreno (Defensor, Uru), Dewilder (Marseille). **Marseille:** Antoine Bell (Arab Contractors), Martinez (Bordeaux), Brylle (PSV Eindhoven). **Metz:** Markov (CSKA Sofia), Six (Aston Villa). **Monaco:** Fofana (Cannes). **Nancy:** Marcialia (Bastia), Fegic (Rijeka). **Nantes:** Bracigliano (Metz), Le Roux (Monaco), Burruchaga (Independiente, Arg). **Nice:** Bernad (Metz), Rico (Brest), Rohr (Metz). **Paris SG:** Bays (Auxerre), Bibard (Nantes), Lowitz (Metz), Jacques (Nancy), Da Fonseca (Tours), Poullain (Nantes), Sene (Laval), Vermeulen. **Rennes:** Voordeckers (Wayerschei), Christophe (Toulouse), Lanthier (PSG). **Strasbourg:** Zheliaskov (Slavia Sofia), Larious (Lyon). **Toulon:** Sukrov (Hajduk Split), Roussey (Toulouse), Marsiglia (Lens), Victor Ramos (Nantes). **Toulouse:** Marcio (FC Oeste, Arg).

**GREECE — Olympiakos:** Barrios (Penarol). **Panathinaikos:** Serganis Vamvakulos (Olympiakos), Vlachos (AEK), Dimpopulos (PAOK).

**HOLLAND — Ajax:** Arnold Muhren (Man. Utd). **Alkmaar:** Kleton (Haarlem). **Den Bosch:** Steinmann (AZ Alkmaar). **Excelsior:** Beukers (Utrecht). **Feyenoord:** Eriksen (Mulhouse), La Ling (Marseille), K. Molenaar (Volendam), Sorenson (Twente). **Groningen:** Van den Berg (Sparta), Hourman (Feyenoord), Storm (Ajax), Verkuyl (Utrecht), De Wolf (Sparta). **Haarlem:** Peper (Ajax), Talan (AZ Alkmaar). **PSV:** Gullit (Feyenoord), McDonald (Groningen), Gerets (Milan). **Sparta:** Tiktak (AZ Alkmaar). **Twente:** Schoenaker (Ajax). **Utrecht:** Lecker (Feyenoord), Van der Waart (Den Bosch). **VVV:** Corbijn (PSV), Ringels (Borussia Mg).

**ITALY** — For top transfers see pages 6 and 7.

**POLAND — Gornik Zabrze:** Iwan (Wisla Krakow), Urban (Zaglebie Sosnowiecz), Czakon (Odra Opole). **Legia:** Iwanicki (Gwardia), Gawara (Ruch Chorzow), Dziekanowski (Widzew).

**PORTUGAL — Benfica:** Rui Aguas (Portimonense). **Porto:** Juary (Internazionale), Eloi (Botafogo).

**Spain — Barcelona:** Amarilla (Zaragoza). **At. Madrid:** Fillol (Flamengo), Da Silva (Defensor, Uru), Quique Setien (Santander). **Gijon:** Orbegozo (Real Sociedad), Rinaldi (San Lorenzo, Arg). **Real Madrid:** Gordillo (Betis), Maceda (Gijon), Hugo Sanchez (Atletico Madrid). **Osasuna:** Sabido (Mallorca). **Valencie:** Sanchez Torres (FC Twente). **Zaragoza:** Fraile, Pineda (Real Madrid). **Santander:** Isidro (Real Madrid), Arrien (Bilbao). **Valladolid:** Manzanedo (Valencia), Aravena (Un. Catoloca, Chile). **Betis:** Its (Real Madrid), Cervantes (Murcia), Hadzibegic (Sarajevo). **Hercules:** Petursson (Antwerp). **Cadiz:** Pintinho (Fluminense), Hurtado (Un. Catolica, Chile), Juan Jose (Real Madrid). **Celta:** Baltasar (Flamengo, Brz).

**SWITZERLAND — Aarau:** Bertelsen (Rouen). **Basel:** Strack (Köln), Schällibaum (Grasshoppers). **Grasshoppers:** Borchers (Bielefeld/Eint. Frankfurt), Andermatt (Basel), A. Egli (Bor. Dortmund), D. Müller (Bordeaux). **Luzern:** Wehrli (Grasshoppers), Gretarsson (Iraklis). **Neuchatel Xamax:** Stielke (Real Madrid), Hermann (Grasshoppers). **Sion:** Brigger (Servette). **St Gallen:** Hörmann (Sturm Glaz). **FC Zurich:** S. Rufer (SC Zug).

**TURKEY — Galatasaray:** Onal (Standard Liege). Prekazi (Hajduk Split). **Altay Izmar:** Jesic (Partizan Belgrade). **Trabzonspor:** Groh (Hamburg).

**WEST GERMANY — Bayern:** Winklhofer (Leverkusen), Hartmann (Hannover). **Werder Bremen:** Votava (At. Madrid). **Köln:** Pusanti (Maccabi Natanya). **Hamburg:** Gründel (Standard Liege), Kroth (Eint. Frankfurt), Lux (Eint. Bwg). **Bayer Uerdingen:** Bommer (Fortuna D'dorf). **Schalke:** Täuber (Nürnberg), Roth (Karlsruhe). **Bochum:** Kempe (Stuttgart). **Eintracht Frankfurt:** Kwiecian (Stal Mielec, Pol). **Borussia D'mund:** Hrubesch (Standard Liege), Hupe (Bielefeld). **Fortuna D'dorf:** Del'Haye (Bayern Munich).

**YUGOSLAVIA — Partizan:** Capljic (Zeljeznicar), Bajovic (Sutjeska), Masic (Dinamo V.). **Red Star:** Ivanovic (OFK), Musemic (Sarajevo), Davidovic (Osijek), Zjajo (Iskra), Radovanovic (Sutjeska), Dorovic (Sutjeska). **Hajduk:** Kalinic (Osijek), Petrinovic (Iskara). **Osijek:** Deko (Dinamo Zagreb). **Celik:** Hadzialagic (Sarajevo). **Zeljeznicar:** Smajic (Partizan Sarajevo. **Sutjeska:** Bakrac (Hadjuk), Komadina (Red Star).

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**LOTS of would-be coaches missed out, it seems, on the English National Coaching Foundation courses this past summer merely because the didn't know anything about them.**

Enrolment forms for the 1986 courses are now available on sending a stamped addressed envelope to the NCF, 4 College Close, Beckett Park, Leeds LS6 3QH. There are also two new residential courses being run at Loughborough.

Just one reservation about the course information sheets we've received: nowhere is the word "football" mentioned.

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**THERE has been a steady trickle of Polish players to western European clubs in the past decade. Kaziu Deyna, Grzegorz Lato, Henryk Kasperczak, and Wlodek Lubanski led the way, followed more recently by the likes of Wladyslaw Zmuda and Zbigniew Boniek.**

Of course, Boniek is the most famous. But he and Zmuda were certainly not the first Poles to play in Italy. That claim goes to Emil Görlitz and Josef Slonecki who came to Italy to play for Edera of Trieste towards the end of 1925.

Görlitz was a goalkeeper, Slonecki a forward and both owed their transfers to the influence of Karl Fischer, an Austrian who had moved to Italy after coaching the Polish Pogon Lwow club and soon sent for his two stars. They lasted about 15 months before going home.

More intriguing perhaps, is the case of the one Italian export to Polish football. His name was Costante Bonazza and he was one of the lucky victims left alive when the Red Army reached Auschwitz in 1945. While waiting to travel home to Italy, Bonazza met a Polish girl and decided to stay.

Before the war he had played for Ambrosiana of Milan (now Inter) but in Poland he lined up for KS Kduny, Choszozno, Gwardia Kostalin and Barycz before joining Arkonia of Szczecin in 1949. A year later they were promoted to the Poolish first division, where Bonazza played eight games in the spring and summer of 1951.

Later that year he was transferred to Sparta of Luban Slaski and stayed with them in the second division until his retirement in 1955. Bonazza died in Luban Sleski on February 28, 1980.

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**THE recent World Under-16 championship in China was a great success not only in terms of the football but in allied subjects.**

How else can you explain that around 40,000 people over two days visited an exhibition of sports photography by cameraman Peter Robinson.

Robinson was in China on assigment for under-16 tournament sponsors Kodak. He one-man exhibition was staged at the prestigious China Art Gallery.

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*ENGLAND wil still have a four-team entry for the UEFA Cup if the European competitive ban at club level is lifted in time for next season. But, as FA secretary Ted Croker pointed out recently, the longer it takes to put the English house in order will send English clubs slipping down the UEFA coefficient ladder.*

*LAKHDA BELLOUMI, the Algerian World Cup hero who suffered a broken leg in a rugged African club cup tie in Libya earlier this year, was — we were told then — sure to be back in action by the end of August. And how! Belloumi was sent off for dissent in a club friendly — his first game since the injury!*

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**WANT a short-term job? Coaching Rio giants Flamengo and Fluminense appears to be the ideal answer.**

Flamengo fired 1970 World Cup-winning manager Mario Zagalo after their surprise elimination in the Brazilian championship semi-finals. His successor was Edu, elder brother of prodigal star Zico and whose success last year with Vasco da Gama was coloured by his failure to produce much of a spark out of the national team (viz. the Maracana defeat by England).

The announcement that Edu was taking over provoked a string of immediate protests from fans who resented bot his past links with Vasco and his family connections.

Accordingly Edu quit next day! He said: "I went to bed that night wondering if I had made a mistake in taking the job. When I woke up next morning I knew I had."

By fortunate coincidence Edu was thus able to say "Yes" to the Iraqi federation who had been trying to persuade him to take on their national team.

Another recent Brazil managerial failure back in the Middle East is Evaristo de Macedo. He's returned to Qatar — where he previously enjoyed great success — in succession to fellow Brazilian Dino Sani.

Also illustrating the brevity of command in Rio, Argentine coach Omar Pastoriza is now back with Independiente of Argentina after a spell with Fluminense. Pastoriza quit Independiente when they wouldn't boost his salary after the World Club Cup win over Liverpool last December.

However, he lasted just 24 days with Fluminense.

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*ANOTHER Brazilian in the wars has been 1970 World Cup-winner Jairzinho. He was mugged and robbed while leaving the Maracana Stadium in Rio after watching Flamengo's Carioca league match against Bangu. The occasion was unpleasant for Zico too. He had to be carried off, his left knee badly bruised, after a bad foul by Bangu's Marcio.*

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**HANS-JURGEN DÖRNER has been voted East Germany's Footballer of the Year for the third time. Second in the poll came Andreas Thom, with the Lok Leipzig goalkeeper, Rene Müller, third.**

Meanwhile, strange stories are beginning to circulate about the dominance of Dynamo Berlin, East German champions for the past seven years in a row.

It's alleged that Dynamo have been receiving help from high places — that they have been awarded goals scored from obvious offside positions, that they have benefited from generous penalty awards, that one game last season was allowed to run 95 minutes so they could equalise. Also, was it coincidental that, on an apparent eight occasions, key players from Dynamo's opponents collected the extra booking which added up to automatic suspension in the week before the game against the champions?

Fascinating stuff. Indeed, almost as fascinating is the fact that of those players currently operating in the Oberliga the current leading scorer is Rüdiger Schunphase, with a total of 123 goals. And he's a sweeper!

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**AN AMAZING story has been going the European rounds concerning the proposed return of the great Gerd Müller.**

West Garmany's most prolific goalscorer was apparently on his way back to Europe, temporarily abandoning his Florida restaurant chain, for the chance to play for HJK Helsinki against Flamurtari of Albania in the first round of the Cup-winners' Cup.

The ulterior motive was rumoured to be Müller's desire to meet again — after 15 years — an old Albanian girlfriend. She couldn't leave Albania and, until HJK's European draw, Müller had had no reason to apply for a visa with any chance of success.

In the event, after all the publicity, Müller went into hiding and embarrassed HJK officials did their best to ignore all inquiries.

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*MAXIME BOSSIS set a French record of 66 caps when he played in the World Cup qualifier against East Germany in Leipzig, thus overtaking Marius Tresor's previous record of 65 international appearances. Bossis, now with second division Racing Paris, was the 22nd player from the lower division to appear for the French national team.*

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*LAURIE CUNNINGHAM wasn't too popular with his Spanish wife when their baby was baptised in the northern city of Gijon. Cunningham had been in Madris, staying with friends, and couldn't make it to the church on time.*

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**LAST season saw Johan Cruyff trying to bend the rules in Holland about qualifications for coaches and trainers.**

In vain. So, he returned to Ajax as "technical director". But there's never been much doubt about his total control in running the team.

Now theDutch trainers' federation are protesting that Cruyff doesn't have the necessary examinations to his credit.

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**OBITUARY — Giovanni "Johnny" Moscardini.** Died in Wilkington, England, aged 88. He had been the oldest living former Italian international. Born in 1897 at Barga (Lucca), Moscardini played in the 1920s for Lucchese and Pisa. A centre-forward, he made his Italy debut in 1921 in a 1-1 draw against Switzerland in Geneva when he scored Italy's equalising goal. He played in eight more internationals, scoring six other goals for his country. He scored two goals in a 7-0 win over France in Turin in his last match.

**Bozo Broketa.** Died in Dubrovnik, aged 63. Broketa played 493 games in defence for Hajduk Split between 1945 and 1862. He was a member of their championship-winning teams in 1950, 1952 and 1955 alongside such names as Vladimir Beara and Bernard Vukas. Broketa played three times for Yugoslavia in the 1947-48 season.

**Ahmad Atiq Hamed Khalaf.** Arab Emirates midfield star who died, aged 21, in Campinas, Brazil, after a minor operation. The UAE left back, who played for the Al Nasr club, had preferred to have the operation in Brazil, like his hero Falcao, although his family and friends had advised hom to go for treatment in England or west Germany. Ahmad went into a coma during the operation and died a week later. Senior government officials in the UAE have since called on Brazilian authorities to launch a full inquirt into the circumstances of the operation.

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**GOLDEN BOOTS leaders:** Krankl (Rapid Vienna) 10 goals; Vandenbergh (Anderlecht) 9; Picot (Nancy), Njo Lea (Lens), Boda (MTK Budapest), Van Loen (Utrecht), Manuel Fernandes (Sporting Lisbon), Bursac (Sutjeska, Yug), Kosowski (Gornik Walbrzych) 6 each.

# The month ahead

**OCTOBER 2**
European club first round, second legs.

**OCTOBER 4**
Africa-Asia Cup: Saudi Arabia v Cameroon.

**OCTOBER 5**
WC: New Zealand v Taiwan.

**OCTOBER 8**
WC: Israel v Australia ... E21: Denmark v Switzerland.

**OCTOBER 9**
WC: Denmark v Switzerland.

**OCTOBER 12**
WC: Portugal v Malta, Taiwan v New Zealand.

**OCTOBER 15**
E21: Czech v Sweden, W. Germany v Portugal, England v Turkey, Norway v Denmark.

**OCTOBER 16**
WC: Czech v Sweden, W Germany v Portugal, Rumania v N Ireland, England v Turkey, Norway v Denmark, Soviet Union v Rep Ireland ... E21: Luxembourg v Italy.

**OCTOBER 19**
WC: Albania v Greece.

**OCTOBER 20**
WC: Australia v Israel.

**OCTOBER 23**
European club second round, first legs ... WC: Australia v Taiwan.

**OCTOBER 26**
WC: New Zealand v Israel.

**OCTOBER 27**
WC: Paraguay v Colombia (1st leg), Chile v Peru (1st leg), Taiwan v Australia.

**OCTOBER 29**
E21: Soviet Union v Norway.

**OCTOBER 30**
WC: France v Luxembourg, Soviet Union v Norway.

# Bayern Munich stutter but stay favourites

## Reports from Arthur Rotmil

**CHAMPIONS Bayern Munich stuttered at the start of the 23rd Bundesliga season, but they are still rated clear favourites for the title by 16 out of 18 first division team managers and 12 club captains.**

Bayern who, as I already reported in *World Soccer*, added to their squad only modest newcomers Winklhofer and Hartmann, have high hopes of the tearaway Ludwig Kögl — one of a new generation of young promising players who have already made an impact in the national side. Kögl's speed and dribbling ability will continue to set defenders even more problems this season as he gains experience.

Borussia Mönchengladbach's attacking full back Michael Frontzeck and the other flank defender Thomas Berthold (Eintracht Franfurt) should also continue to make progress, as should Frankfurt's classy midfielder Ralf Falkenmayer and Schalke's Olaf Thon, that lethal finisher who has already represented his country at 18.

On these talented youngsters rests the future of German football at national and international level. On the other hand, a number of experienced "veterans" will soon be leaving the Bundesliga for various reasons. Felix Magath, still the best midfield schemer in the country, will hang up his boots next year to become Hamburg's general manager in succession to Günter Netzer; Rudi Völler, one of Europe's finest strikers, will almost certainly emigrate to Italy; Klaus Allofs and Dirmar Jakobs are on the verge of retiring from the national side and may also look for another challenge elsewhere.

Not many are betting against Bayern winning the title, but Werder Bremen despite fielding the oldest team (average age almost 27), could upset the apple cart having made a fine start to top the table together with Mönchengladbach. The latter only need more consistency to become a force again in German football.

The Gladbacher engaged Peter Enevoldsen (23) from Denmark's second division Aalborg BK. He has played ten times for the under-21 team and is a skilful, attacking midfielder. Next to the Norwegian Kai-Erik Herlovsen he is the second foreigner in Gladbach, but since 1969 already the sixth Dane to wear Borussia's colours. The others were Ulrik Le Fevre, Henning Jensen, Allan Simonsen, Garsten Nielsen and Steen Thychosen.

Köln (Cologne) too, cannot be discounted especially now they have strengthened their defence with the experienced Michel Van de Korput (28) who played 21 times for Holland and has been tested in the Italian league with Torino.

Hamburg who bought nine (!) new players can also be regarded as title contenders, but the influx of new names may also mean more experiments to find a settled formation and this could take time. Hamburg now have too many players of the same calibre, especially in midfield, where next to Magath they boast international like Kroth, Rolff, as well as Von Heesen, Bressem and the newcomer Heinz Gründel.

Allrounder Peter Lux 22, (ex Eintracht Brunswick) will most likely settle down in defence. Hamburg had to pay for him £220,000 fixed by an independent tribunal after Brunswick had demanded £250,000 while HSV's valuation was only £175,000

HSV's manager Ernst Happel's former assistant, the Yugoslav Aleksandar Ristic returned to Hamburg after two years at Brunswick. He is generally regarded as Happel's natural successor — "in two years time, when I retire" says Happel.

Newcomers Hannover and Nürnberg should survive their first season back in the upper sphere, but one cannot be sure about Saarbrücken. The Saarland is suffering from an economic crisis and unemployment and the club of the DFB-president Hermann Neuberger is feeling the pinch. Saarbrücken have debts of some £700,000 and received a professional licence from the DFB only after an undertaking that they do not spend more than £25,000 on new players, unless they manage to sell any.

Team manager Uwe Klimaschefski is happy for the time

# Swiss – 'season of truth'

*NEVER Before has the German influence in Swiss football been so potent as in this "season of truth", as many commentators here describe the present campaign. Four team managers came over to take charge of Swiss clubs bringing the number of German bosses in the first division to seven out of 16.*

*The most interesting was the return of Helmut Benthaus (50) who established something of a record by managing FC Basel for 17 years between 1965 and 1982 before going back (as a newly-confirmed Swiss citizen) to West Germany where he led Stuttgart to their first championship title for 32 years in 1984.*

*But after three years Benthaus decided that Switzerland was his real home and now he is back with Basel, the club he took to seven league championships, two cup wins and one League cup triumph.*

*Timo Konietzka, once also team chief here at FC Zurich, Young Boys and Grasshoppers quit the Bundesliga to take over Grasshoppers again; Friedel Rausch who was successful in Greece and had offers from West German clubs has taken the plunge with FC Lucerne; while Werner Olk the former Bayern Munich player fired by Karlsruher SC decided to try his luck with St. Gallen who are playing in the UEFA-Cup.*

*The other three Germans in charge are Ottma Hitzfeld at Aarau, Siegfried Melzig with FC Grenchen and Alex Mandziara at Young Boys. But German footballers have also flocked to Switzerland in astonishing numbers.*

*The most famous in libero Uli Stielike who after eight years with Real Madird decided that a one-year contract for a 30-year-old (Real's club rule) was not good enough and joined Xamax Neuchatel.*

*Centre forward Dieter Müller, who made headlines all over Europe with a hat-trick on his debut as substitute in the European Championship semi-final against Yugoslavia in 1976, has left Bordeaux for ailing Grasshoppers but only until the end of the year. Then he is leaving for America to play in the lucrative indoor league.*

*His place in Zurich will be taken by the talented Swede Mats Gren (Gothenburg). While with GC Müller has teamed up with his compatriot Ronnie Borchers who quit Arminia Bielefeld for the quieter life in Switzerland.*

*The former German national team's "libero" Gerd Strack also left Köln and the Bundesliga; he is trying to continue his career with Basel under Benthaus who once also starred for Köln before emigrating to Switzerland.*

*On the whole the Swiss league now presents a total of 46 foreigners and the clubs have engaged all told 58 new players. The introduction of a second foreigner certainly raised interest. After five rounds gates were up by 20 per cent on last season.*

**ERNST HAPPEL of Hamburg . . . at 60 the oldest team boss in the Bundesliga.**

being, saying: "This is the third time I have achieved promotion, something no one else has managed before." But he then appealed to the club's directors to strengthen the side to stay up.

There is no money in the kitty, however, so Saarbrücken are putting out feelers to get players on loan. From their own amateur ranks the club promoted a couple of players and also engaged one or two from other non-professional outfits. Several players were released to save on salaries and were "paid off" with a £1,000 cheque as a promotion bonus.

Club president Uwe Strassel announced a tight budget he said: "when we were promoted in 1976 players like Harry Ellbracht and Jovan Acimovic were earing 35,000 Marks (£9,000) a month. Now, the whole team gets that much."

In the Bundesliga there are now 32 foreigners, of whom four each are from Poland and Norway; three each from Belgium, Iceland and Yugoslavia; two each from Denmark, Scotland and Sweden and one each from Turkey, Japan, Austria, Israel, Greece, South Korea, Rumania, Wales and Zaire.

Another interesting statistic concerns the steadily increasing ages of team managers. The youngest, Hannes Bongartz (Kaiserslautern) is 33, the oldest Happel at 60. The average age is 46, while the most successful, Udo Lattek (Bayern), is 50.

A scientist has worked out that six out of ten team bosses are endangering their health during the 90 minutes play.

"They register 60 per cent pathological strain of the heart", claims Dr. Herbert Plum, following a detailed analysis. Werder Bremen's team chief Otto Rehhagel remarked sarcastically: "I'll have to be well paid for my job because at 50 I feel ripe for a mental institution. And there I would like to be treated in the first class department."

The longest-serving team boss is Gladbach's Jupp Heynckes who took over from Lattek in 1979. Heynckes has extended his contract until 1987 and would then have been with the same club, for whom he also starred as a player, in official function for eight years. One of his predecessors Hennes Weisweiler was with Gladbach 11 years.

Generally the contracts of Bundesliga "trainers" are not long. Pal Csernai, for instance, got only a one year agreement at Dortmund. The three promoted managers Heinz Höher (Nürnberg), Werner Biskup (Hannover) and Uwe Klimaschefski (Saarbrücken) who played together for Bayer Leverkusen once, are facing the toughest task.

Some 131 managers have either left or been dismissed since the foundation in 1963.

The national side began the season with a disappointing 1-0 defeat by the Soviet Union in Moscow in a friendly. Team chief Franz Beckenbauer was once again deprived of his captain Karl-Heinz Rummenigge and Footballer of the Year Hans-Peter Briegel, who were engaged with their Italian clubs in the national cup competition. But neither this, nor the early injury to the Bundesliga's top striker Klaus Allofs could, or should excuse this shoddy performance.

Allofs was replaced by midfielder Norbert Meier (Werder Bremen) but that left the Germans with only Rudi Völler as a genuine striker. Had it not been for goalkeeper Schumacher the defeat would have been much heavier. Beckenbauer was fuming and announced "radical" changes for the World Cup qualifier against Sweden.

Despite this third setback on the trot, Beckenbauer's position is not threatened. He has, after all, won all five World Cup qualifying ties and this is what really matters this season. Kaiser Franz has introduced a strict code of conduct among the squad. He recently even ticked off his captain Rummenigge for being late to dinner. And midfielder Matthäus was reprimanded for not wearing the official suit. Because Beckenbauer is a famous former player he and his methods are accepted without complaint — unlike those of his predecessor Jupp Derwall.

The team chief thinks the World Cup is coming too soon for his young team — average age under 25. "In two years time we shall be at our peak", forecasts Beckenbauer.

# EARLY START FOR AUSTRIA

THE AUSTRIAN championship began earlier than ever, on August 9, and for the first time will be decided on a play-off. The initial phase with home and away fixtures will produce 22 games per club. Then the top eight teams will stage a final pool to determine the champions.

The last four and the top four from division two will play-off for places in the upper sphere for next season and it is hoped that the new format will stimulate interest and bring the fans back.

On the transfer market there was not much activity. Small wonder since the clubs have no money because the crowds were down and the sponsors are reluctant to prop up an ailing product.

After some protracted negotiations Hans Krankl (32) decided to stay on with Rapid for a lower salary which is described as "still higher than that of some Cabinet Ministers". He has thus started his tenth season with the "green-and-whites" thanks to a new separate sponsorship deal and made headlines by hitting six goals in the first three matches.

There was talk of Krankl joining Wacker Innsbruck, but instead "the most talented unemployed footballer in Europe" the West German Hans Müller joined the Tiroleans. Müller (28) who played 42 times for his country was ofter plagued by injury and couldn't find another Italian club after his contract with Inter-Milan was not renewed and his loan period with Como had expired.

His transfer to Innsbruck was organised by the local paper *Tiroler Zeiung* and partly financed by the fans who were asked to pay handsomely for a special season ticket for all *11* home league matches.

Inter-Milan originally asked £62,500 for a year's loan of Hans who still hopes to make a comeback in the national side, but eventually agreed to a free loan for a year before a permanent transfer is negotiated.

Another famous "oldie" Herbert Prohaska has announced his withdrawal from the national team. The 30-year-old midfield "general" of champions FK Austria, who also won Cup and League honours with Inter-Milan and AS Roma, wants to concentrate solely on helping his club. He is the fourth international after Obermayer, Krankl and Koncilia to renounce the national colours. Prohaska celebrated his 30th birthday by scoring a super goal — the first in the new championship to help FK Austria to a 2-0 win over Eisenstadt.

Rapid left four internationals, Feurer, Pregessbauer, Willfurth and Pacult on the bench, but still won 3-0 against Admira Wacker. Only twelve goals in six matches were not exactly what the fans expected at the start.

# Eurico breaks leg and miss

*CHAMPIONS Porto began the new Portuguese season in ideal style with a 2-0 victory over Benfica in their opening match.*

*But it was a costly victory since Porto's international centre-back Eurico suffered a broken leg which put him out of the remaining World Cup qualifying matches.*

*National manager Jose Torres sent for the young Sporting Lisbon defender, Venancio, as cover in his squad for the tie against Czechoslovakia — and probably uttered a silent prayer that Benfica stars Carlos Manuel and Diamantino would soon find their true form.*

*Both men looked out of sorts against Porto after a summer spent haggling with Benfica over new contracts.*

*New coach John Mortimore had Benfica working hard on their fitness in pre-season training and the club for once forsook the usual money-making trip abroad to prepare thoroughly at home. The Porto defeat was an instant setback but Mortimore's men more than made up the following week when they thrashed Maritimo 9-0.*

*Maniche, Carlos Manuel and Jose Luis — another close-season contract rebel — all scored two goals and Diamantino, Oliveira and new signing Rui Aguas completed the scoring. Aguas is son of Jose Aguas, who was Benfica's captain and centre forward in their two European Cup triumphs in 1961 and 1962.*

*His transfer from the Algarve club Portimonense was one of the few moves of any note during the summer.*

## FIVE GOALS

*Early leaders however are Sporting Lisbon, under boss Manuel Jose. Veteran midfielder and skipper Manuel Fernandes has been outstanding. He scored five of Sporting's six goals in their first outing against Penafiel and then collected the winner the following week in the 2-1 away win over newly-promoted Aves.*

*A 3-0 win at home to Chaves on top of that meant that after three games Sporting and Boavista were the only clubs with a 100 per cent record and Sporting led the "other" Oporto club on goal difference — already four points clear of Benfica.*

*Sporting's win over Chaves again saw Manuel Fernandes*

# ARCONADA IS OUT FOR SIX MONTHS

*by Keir Radnedge*

**LUIS MIGUEL Arconada, Spain's goalkeeper, former captain and record international, will be out of the game for six months after being injured in the first game of the league programme.**

Arconada damaged his right knee in a fall as he saved brilliantly from Manolo of Celta de Vigo in Real Sociedad's 1-1 draw in front of their own San Sebastian fans.

The knee blew up like a balloon during half-time and new coach John Toshack had to send out substitute goalkeeper Elduayen for the second half. It was not thought a serious injury at the time. But once the swelling had gone down the next day an X-ray showed major damage to both ligaments and cartilage.

Arconada was sent to Madrid for surgery — which lasted three hours. Later he was told that he would be out of the game for six months and that it would possibly be seven or eight months before he would be ready to play at top level again. Clearly, even at this early stage, it is highly unlikely that he will be ready for the World Cup finals in Mexico.

Spain manager Miguel Munoz called up Barcelona's Javier Urruti in Arconada's place in the national squad for the decisive World Cup-tie against Iceland. Also recalled was the young Real Madrid striker, Emilio Butragueno, who had been resting all summer after suffering a kidney injury in the UEFA Cup semi-final against Internationale.

Arconada wasn't the only star name to make a disastrous start to the new season. So did Hugo Sanchez, Madrid's major signing from neighbours Atletico. Sanchez was sent off ten minutes from the end of Madrid's 2-2 away draw with Betis, for protesting too vehemently to a linesman. That just equalled the score, for Betis midfielder Ortega had been sent off on the hour for protesting after being booked for a foul on Michel.

## Went back

Two minutes later, ironically, Betis took the lead through Calderon. In the 71st Sanchez equalised from the penalty spot after Betis' new Yugoslav, Farukh Hadzibegic, had brought down Sanchis. But then Betis went back ahead with a solo effort by one-time Madrid striker, Hipolito Rincon. The Spain forward took advantage of a quick counter-attack to dribble round goalkeeper Ochotorena and score from close range.

Sanchez was then sent off for overstressing his appeals that Rincon had been offside. But with two minutes remaining Madrid grabbed a deserved equaliser when Argentine World Cup striker Jorge Valdano converted a cross from Jose Camacho.

There was a generous ovation from the Betis fans for their old favourite Rafael Gordillo who — like Gary Lineker in England — was starting his career with a new club back on the ground of his old colleagues.

He had a generally quiet time but stepped up his game the following Wednesday when Madrid's high-cost new team thrashed Valencia 5-0 before a 90,000 crowd in the Estadio Bernabeu. Butragueno scored one, so did Carlos Santillana, while Michel collected a hat-trick — his all-round display confounding critics who had said that he and Gordillo would get in each other's way on the left side of midfield.

"I was quite pleased," said Madrid coach Luis Molowny, who holds the reins for this one season while president Ramon Mendoza decides on a new long-term appointment.

**One coaching appointment which has been settled is that of Terry Venables at Barcelona. After a great deal of shadow-boxing with Barsa president Jose Luis Nunez, Venables has agreed to a two-year extension of his current contract which will keep him at Camp Nou until the summer of 1988.**

Barcelona celebrated by beating Zaragoza 2-0 in their first home game of the season. Imports Bernd Schuster and Steve Archibald scored the goals against a visiting side who had new Slav centre back Kalicanin sent off for bringing down Ramon Caldere.

Zaragoza's new Uruguayan starlet, Ruben Sosa, had a quiet time of it. But then, Barcelona — who won their own Juan Gamper pre-season tournament in fine style — are as intimidating as ever on home ground. Schuster put them ahead direct from a free kick just before half-time and Archibald converted a centre from Julio Alberto in the 72nd for No. 2.

The Scot caused a pre-season sensation when he appeared for training wearing an earring stud. But to calm fans' nerves he

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*on target, with two goals. Saucedo scored Sporting's first in a bad-tempered match which saw eight players booked and Chaves' Amandio sent off for a foul on Saucedo.*

*Sporting's bright form was the more surprising after their disappointing showing in the City of Lisbon pre-season tournament. The competition featured Sporting, Benfica and Shamrock Rovers — who beat Sporting 1-0 in the first match.*

*In the second game Benfica drew 0-0 with the Republic of Ireland double-winners and then even managed to draw (!) 2-2 in a penalty shoot-out. Benfica's hero was goalkeeper Manuel Bento, who saved three spot-kicks and converted the final equaliser.*

*That a penalty decider should end all-square illustrates the disorganised nature of the tournament — the farce being maintained right to the end of Benfica's 2-1 defeat of Sporting in the last game. It then turned out that there was no trophy to present!*

*Julio Borges, Benfica's general manager (football section) explained that it had been impossible for the presidents of Benfica and Sporting to get together with Lisbon council leaders to decide on cost and design of the cup!*

*The non-existent cup was assigned in its absence to Benfica, for finishing the mini-league with the same goal difference as Shamrock Rovers (2-1 compared with 1-0) but with more goals scored.*

*Pietra and Manniche scored the goals which brought victory over Sporting who had opened the scoring in the 17th minute through Carlos Xavier.*

*Finally, a couple more notes on the transfer front. Champions Porto managed to beat off an attempt by Atletico Madrid to sign midfield starlet Paolo Futre and have themselves strengthened their attack with the Brazilians Eloi (from Botafogo and Genoa) and Juary (ex-Santos and Inter Milan).*

****PORTUGAL'S squad for the World Cup-tie against Czechoslovakia was: Goalkeepers: Bento (Benfica), Damas (Sporting). Defenders: Joao Pinto, Laureta (Porto), Frederico (Boavista), Alvaro (Benfica), Morato, Venancio (Sporting). Midfield: Andre (Porto), Carlos Manuel, Nunes (Benfica). Forwards: Semedo, Futre, Gomes (Porto), Litos (Sporting), Pedro Xavier (Academica Coimbra).*

quickly diverted attention back to football by announcing his ambition of finishing as the league's top scorer.

For that objective he will need to avoid injuries such as the ankle problem which kept him out of Scotland's important World Cup showdown in Wales. Archibald collected the injury against Zaragoza and missed not only the Wales-Scotland match but Barcelona's highly-charged visit the previous weekend to last season's league runners-up, Atletico Madrid.

In his absence Barsa lost 2-1 — their first defeat of the term — while Real Madrid won by the same margin away in the Catalan capital against Espanol.

Indeed, it promises to be a lively old season with Madrid's summer spending spree on Sanchez, Gordillo and Antonio Maceda injecting new excitement into this historic and deadly rivalry.

Maceda didn't make a happy start to his Madrid career after his transfer from Gijon. He was jeered off the pitch in La Goruna in the Teresa Herrera trophy matches — the most prestigious of Spain's numerous pre-season tournaments. Madrid lost 2-0 to neighbours Atletico in the semi-finals (Hugo Sanchez was virtually anonymous against his old team-mates) and then went down 2-0 to Fluminense of Brazil in the third-place match. It was the first time Madrid had finished bottom of the heap in La Coruna.

As Venables had commented, on being asked his opinion of Madrid's new signings: "It takes more than money and big names to make a team."

## Decisive

Barcelona figured in a pre-season row of their own after being beaten 1-0 by Gremio of Brazil, for the former world club champions, in the final of the Ciudad de Palma tournament in Mallorca. The decisive goal was scored by Bira after 20 minutes against a Barsa team lacking the injured Archibald in attack and Migueli in the centre of defence.

The goal, thought Venables, was offside. The referee disagreed. Later Barcelona claimed a penalty for a foul on Schuster.

**SILENCED . . . Real Sociedad's Spain goalkeeper Luis Arconada.**

Again the referee disagreed.

All of which might have been quickly forgotten had it not been for the fact that the referee was one Emilio Guruceta — Spain's Clive Thomas and an experienced FIFA panel official — who hadn't refereed a Barcelona game since 1971 . . . .

On that occasion, in Camp Nou, Guruceta caused a scandal by awarding Real Madrid a vital penalty in a cup semi-final when everyone else in the stadium thought Madrid midfielder Jose Velasquez was outside the box when he went down.

In Spain, the federation operated a so-called *recusacion* system which allowed clubs, at the start of each season, to nominate referees who were not to be allowed to control their games. And, ever since that 1971 cup-tie, Barcelona had consistently named Guruceta as one man they never wanted to see.

This summer, one long-overdue straw in the wind of administrative change blowing through the game in Spain, the *recusacion* system has been abolished. Guruceta may now go back to referee in Camp Nou: though, clearly, after the Palma final he won't be any more welcome.

Not only did he refuse Schuster a penalty but he came close to sending him off. Schuster admitted afterwards that he ran to Guruceta and asked him: "What have you got against Barcelona? Now I understand why they wouldn't let you referee our games!"

Guruceta, wisely, let it pass. He has been, for many years, Spain's best referee and the vast majority of Spanish league players believe that. His ability to attract controversy has, however, meant that Guruceta has always been overlooked when it comes to World Cup final duties.

Perhaps Mexico '86 will see that put right — though Barcelona might not be too happy about it.

***SPAIN'S federation has accepted the clubs' committee proposal that from next season the championship will consist both of the regular league programme and then a play-off system to decide top-of-the-table and relegation issues.

***THE squad for the World Cup tie against Iceland was as follows: Goalkeepers: Zubizzaretta, Urruticiechea. Defenders: Gerardo, Goicoechea, Maceda, Camacho, Julio Alberto. Midfield: Victor, Gallego, Cordillo, Marina, Quique Ramos. Forwards: Marcos, Butragueno, Rincon, Sarabia.

# Bulga lesson

## by Terry Bushell

*A NEW Bulgarian league season began with statistics to gladden the hearts of the worried authorities — no violence among players in the opening two days and 57 goals.*

*The Communist Party's daily newspaper,* Rabotnichesko Delo, *said the first day's performance raised great hopes for the future after the "bitter lessons" of last season.*

*The top flight in Bulgaria has for many years been cursed with bribery and all sorts of corruption, with huge amounts of money involved, culminating last season in a vicious Cup Final between the county's two top sides, CSKA and Levski Spartak.*

*This match was the last straw for the country's leaders. They disbanded both clubs, banned five players for life (including two internationals), took disciplinary measures against the clubs' management and, most important for the long-term game in Bulgaria, announced a reorganisation of the club system.*

*Under the old system, clubs sponsored by government institutions or by trade unions had limitless funds to offer high wages plus perks to the best players. They naturally acquired the most skilful players in the country, creating an unhealthy monopoly.*

*The new system is based on geographic zones and it is hoped a uniform pay scale will be introduced. CSKA and Levski Spartak were run by the army and the interior ministry respectively. They have been reformed, with the same colours and most of the same players, under the names Sredets and Vitosha.*

*On the first day of the season, Vitosha lost 3-1 at Vratsa, who were promoted last season, and Sredets beat Sliven 3-0 at home with goals from Mladenov, Dimitrov and Zdravkov. Five players were booked in the latter game but the offences were time-wasting and trivial fouls.*

*The Bulgarian Football Union has also been restructured, and is headed by party central committee member Ivan Shpatov, who will lead the continuing clean-up campaign.*

*Vitosha continued to struggle, managing only a 2-2 draw at home to Lokomotiv Sofia in their next match, while Sredets had another victory, winning 2-1 at Pirin.*

*Trakia Plovdiv, the team which represents Bulgaria in the European Cup this year due to finishing third in the League behind the two disgraced clubs, had a great start, winning 4-0 at Spartak Pleven, but then slipped up at home in a local derby with Lokomotiv Plovdiv, dropping a point in a 2-2 draw.*

## CZECHOSLOVAKIA

*FOOTBALL began again in Czechoslovakia also under a cloud, this time the dreaded "English disease" — hooliganism. In future, fans are to be searched at stadium entrances for alcoholic drinks and objects likely to cause bodily harm. Following vandalism on a train at the end of last season when more than 30 drunk Sparta Prague supporters were arrested on their way to a game.*

*The* Rude Pravo *paper said then, "We will not tolerate vandalism and the manners of English football fans on our pitches." The Czechoslovak FA ordered first division clubs to implement the checks by October 1.*

*Clubs will be obliged to turn away drunk supporters and provide separate sectors for young away fans. The clubs will not be allowed to organise charter trips to their away fixtures.*

*Sparta just pipped fellow Prague club Bohemians to the league title last season, winning it on goal difference after Bohemians had led throughout. So the astounding result of the early League matches this season was — Sigma Olomouc 6, Bohemians 1.*

## POLAND

*CHAMPIONS Gornik Zabrze, who won the league title for the first time for 13 years last season, head the League after five matches in the new season.*

*Their close rivals last term, Widzew Lodz, are again threatening, in second place with the same number of points (eight) but with a vastly inferior goal difference.*

*Both sides have let in three goals, but whereas Widzew have scored only nine, Gornik have gone on a goal rampage, scoring 16. five of Widzew's goals came in one match, at home to GKS Katowice, whom they thrashed 5-1.*

*Ruch Chorzow are also on eight points, thanks to a narrow 1-0 home victory over Zaglebie Lubin. Gornik's one defeat came at Slask Wroclaw, where they lost 2-1.*

## YUGOSLAVIA

*SARAJEVO continued where they left off last season — winning. The champions had two comprehensive home victories, 3-1 against Vardar Skopje and 3-1 versus Sutjeska Niksic, to set them off on the new campaign.*

*The most famous Yugoslav club, Red Star Belgrade, returned from a close season tour of Australia to beat Osijek 1-0 at home but then dropped a point in a 1-1 draw at local rivals Partizan.*

## RUMANIA

*THERE is no stopping Steaua Bucharest. Having won the league title last term with an impressive 54 points, they continued on their winning ways when football resumed, winning 2-0 at Arges and 1-0 at home to Bucharest neighbours Dinamo.*

# BOSS

## from Andre Duclos

*YOU might have thought that a footballer who had equalled the record for French international caps would be a happy man. Not Maxime Bossis, who won his 65th cap in Paris against Uruguay, a few weeks before the clinching World Cup game in East Germany; and thus drew level with Marius Trésor at the top of the list.*

*Bossis sounded a very bitter man, and the explanation, in one word, is . . . Battiston. Patrick Battiston, the defender who was so cruelly smashed to the ground then ignored by the West German goalkeeper, Harald Schumacher, in the World Cup semi-final of 1982 in Seville.*

*At that time, Battiston was a full-back, as indeed Bossis had been. But since then, with Bordeaux, he has turned into a highly effective sweeper. As effective as Bossis himself, the latter honestly and generously admits.*

*The position has been complicated by two factors: No. 1, Battiston has publicly said that he wishes to play sweeper for France or not at all. No more full-back play. No. 2, Bossis has dropped down a division; he signed last summer for Racing Club de Paris, most surprisingly leaving Nantes, always title contenders. Which has clearly left something of a question mark against him, French second division soccer not being as close to the top grade as the English version.*

*Further complication has been added by the reluctance of the French national team manager, Henri Michel, to pronounce on the subject, to give his vote to either player. This, in the view of Bossis, is to wind the two of them up and increase the competition between them. One might add that given the ultimatum released by Battiston, Michel might have been expected to take a public line and a fairly tough one. On the occasion of the Uruguayan match, Battiston was injured so there was no problem.*

*Bossis doesn't beat about the bush. He feels that the French Press has been against him; or not so much against him, but in favour of his rival. When asked why he is so outspoken about it all he replies that he used to keep his counsel in the past, but that when you do this, you are thought to be complacent. Certainly no one can accuse him of anything like that, now.*

*Whatever happens, Bossis says that he means to retire from international football after the coming World Cup. Battiston is the younger man, he says, could go on for several years, and establish a new record for caps (which is by general standards, a sur-*

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prisingly low one, by the way).

Bossis says that he thinks Michel Platini would very much like to beat the record, but that in the future, he thinks that the very young full-back Amoros will do it. Perhaps a rather unsettling thought, given Amoros' expulsion in the European Championship for butting Jesper Olsen in the face.

Somewhat ironic, meanwhile, to think that Bossis' move to Racing Club has given Yvon Le Roux the chance to pick up the pieces of his career. Forced out of the Monaco team last season after having left his local team Brest, he moved to Nantes, and regained his place in the French international team, against Uruguay, in the absence of the injured Specht. Dazzling midfield play again on that occasion, and a happy return for Dominique Rocheteau, that wonderfully gifted but inconsistent striker, who seems like the whole of his Paris Saint Germain team to be flourishing under the inspired aegis of the new manager Garard Houllier.

Of Division II, Bossis says that the gap is not as great as all that; the chief difference is the rhythm. A first division game will often be played at full pelt for as much as three-quarters of an hour of its time; in the second division, such a pace is sustained only for brief periods.

He finds it a little discouraging to play home games in a largely empty Parc des Princes, but says that he didn't expect it to be for more than one season; anyway. After which, he believes that Racing will rejoin Paris S-G in division one. They were, you may remember, briefly and disastrously there, last season.

Certainly they made a pretty good start, not least with a 5-0 home win over Quimper which featured three goals from a dazzling Kabongo, one of the many gifted Africans adorning the French League this season. Only 3,000 people saw it.

MAXIME BOSSIS ... not a happy man.

In Group A, there may well be a chance that Saint-Etienne will miss the boat again.

The powerful and quite unexpected rivals, from the Haute Loire, are Le Puy, managed by the veteran Argentine international sweeper Hugo Bargas, who did so well for years with Nantes, then went to Metz. His brother is one of the two centre-backs for a Le Puy team which has made a devastating start. Another South American in the side is the Uruguayan left-winger, Acosta.

Only a few seasons ago, Le Puy were in division four. Bargas in fact had the chance to join them when he was with Metz but although he got on well with the President, thought they were too low down the scale, and eventually signed for a Second Division team which he left in a state of great animosity. They had, he said, interfered with his private life and never taken any notice of him when he might have been consulted on transfers in the close season; hence, they had made some disastrous ones.

By the time Bargas did go to Le Puy, they were up in the second division, but discipline was appalling, results terrible. Signed to coach the B team, Bargas found himself in charge. In short order, he had thrown out one gifted but dissident player, N'Dioro, impressed on players that they turned up for training on time, not when they felt like it, and laid the basis for the lively and effective team we have seen this season.

Lemonnier has fully made up for the going of Bargas. He has been a frequent scorer, and Bargas says he was not a bit surprised that many good clubs were after him during the summer. His brother, Hector, and the other new centre-back, Frank Burnier, come, ironically, from the very club Hugo left with such rancour; Cuiseaux-Louhans. That their directors were most displeased to lose the pair will not have caused Bargas any great distress.

Le Puy's away performance against Saint Etienne themselves, away, confirmed the power of their challenge; and how well Bargas had bought during the summer. Saint Etienne on paper still look to have the better team, the better players, but it is going to be a very close-run thing.

Talking of Saint Etienne, the veteran international half-back and sweeper, Dominique Bathenay, will be crossing the path of his old team. He's with Sete now, and in excellent form.

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## HUNGARY

*FERENCVAROS, who only just avoided relegation last season, made a storming start this term, winning 5-4 at Raba Eto, who finished second last season.*

*Ferencvaros then went on to beat newly-promoted Budapest club Volan 3-1 at home to put themselves well up among the early leaders. Champions Honved had a successful start in their bid to retain the title, beating Zalaegerszeg 1-0 at home and then winning by the same score at the other new club in the top flight, Siofok.*

## EAST GERMANY

*NO surprises on the opening day in the Oberliga, where the top two sides, Dynamo Berlin and Dynamo Dresden, both had home victories. Champions Berlin beat Union Berlin 2-1, while Dresden, the best supported club in the GDR, had a comfortably 2-0 victory over Wismut Aue.*

## SOVIET UNION

*OLEG BLOKHIN scored his 200th goal in the Supreme League, a record total for any Soviet player. The Dynamo Kiev striker, who is 32, achieved his double century with both Kiev goals in a 2-2 draw at Metallist Kharkov.*

*The point kept Kiev on top of the League on goal difference from Spartak, who were held to a goalless draw at home to Yerevan Ararat. Blokhin, European Footballer of the Year in 1979 when Kieve won the Cup-winners' Cup, made his debut in 1971.*

# Prytz moves home for a record fee in Sweden

**from Pentti Hietanen**

**ROBERT PRYTZ became the most expensive player ever to kick a ball for a Swedish club when IFK Gothenburg signed him from Glasgow Rangers for an estimated fee of £140,000.**

Prytz, 25-year-old and with 25 full caps for Sweden, had been looking for a move already for some time and, in the end, was only too happy to turn his back on the stormy Ibrox Park. The talented, stocky mid-fielder signed by Rangers from Malmö FF at the end of 1982, rarely felt at ease in the rigorous, physical Scottish game, in spite of enjoying his best season there in 1984-85.

Rangers did not make it easy for Gothenburg. The club manager Jock Wallace insisted on a fee of more than £200,000 for the player. Of course, the Swedes, whose original offer was already almost twice as high as their previous record for transfer-sums, were not prepared to meet such a demand. For a moment, it looked as if their bid had been a non-starter and as if Prytz would, after all, have to toil through yet another grim season in Scotland.

But the little schemer had decided to get away fast and almost at any cost. He would not sit down and quietly follow the negotiations between the two clubs. Prytz made it clear that he thought that Rangers' demands had been stubborn and unrealistic.

"Nobody can force me to play for Rangers against my own will", Prytz said. "If they don't accept Gothenburg's money, then I will even go on a one-man strike to support my own cause."

But, before the barricades were built and before things started to heat up even more, Wallace finally gave in, accepted the deal and Gothenburg had their man, whose long-range shooting and calmness at set-pieces have produced six of Sweden's last eight goals at the full international level.

Anders Bernmar, a director of Gothenburg, later stated that his club had made an excellent piece of business in signing Prytz. Only a couple of weeks earlier, the Swedish club had sold their 21-year-old forward Mats Gren to Grasshoppers, of Switzerland. Now they had a proven full international player as his replacement — and had made a handsome profit in the process.

And, amazingly, even Gren will stay for the remainder of the Swedish season. The gifted youngster, thought to be Sweden's brightest talent in recent years, signed a two-year contract with the Zurich club, starting next January. Gren says that, by playing well in Switzerland, he will be hoping to attract an Italian club to make a move for him in the future. Swedish players are not unfamiliar at Grasshoppers, whose fans have fond memories of striker Ove Grahn, who played for them in the early 1970s.

In the league, Gothenburg have not had the best of seasons so far, but, like a good marathon runner, they are beginning to come into the picture just at the right time. Plagued by injuries to several key players, the "Angels" have had difficulties in fielding a settled, full-strength line-up. International strikers Torbjörn Nilsson and Tommy Holmgren have both been absent for lengthy periods and the final straw, which clearly hurried up the bid made for Prytz, was a severe injury to the experienced midfield "play-maker" Jerry Carlsson.

But once coach Gunder Bengtsson had both Nilsson and Holmgren fit and playing, the "Angels" gave the others a timely reminder of their current supremacy of Sweden's club football by shattering AIK Stockholm to the tune of 4-0. Prytz was not yet clear to play but hardly anyone notices that. It was one of those nights when the evergreen Torbjörn Nilsson decided to turn it on and grabbed a majestic hat-trick.

It was also the first time in three years that AIK had conceded four goals. After the match, their coach Rolf Zetterlund moaned that his defenders had looked like beginners against a danger man of Nilsson's calibre.

Malmö FF have set the pace in the league for most of the time, mainly thanks to their sound defence, where ex-Bristol City and Toronto goalkeeper Jan Möller has played as well as ever. Like Gothenburg, MFF have also done a fair bit of wheeling and dealing in the transfer-market, first by bringing back home national striker Lars Larsson from Italy's Atalanta and then selling centre-forward Mats Magnusson (23) to Servette, the reigning Swiss champions, who preferred him to English forwards Garth Crooks and Garry Thompson.

Magnusson is a broad, tank-type forward and especially good with his head. With him, Mats Gren and Thomas Sunesson (Lausanne) there are now three Swedish strikers on contract with top Swiss clubs.

Malmö's new English coach Roy Hogson is under a lot of pressure to bring back to the club the league title, which they last won in 1977. If they fail yet again, the club will most likely buy at least one "name" player. The fans in Sweden have already jokingly rumoured that, to go one better than Gothenburg, MFF have been secretly launching a bid for the Brazilian ace Falcao.

The surprise packets of the season are Kalmar FF, who can boast to have in Johny Erlandsson and Peter Karlsson two of the most efficient forwards currently operating in the league and an intelligent midfield orchestrator in the former national player Peter Nilsson (ex-Oster and FC Brugge). Kalmar's 2-2 home draw with Gothenburg in August was probably the best match seen in Sweden this season.

Osters IF are also a revived team this term. They now have full international defender Andreas Ravelli fully fit again, while up-front big striker Peter Truedsson, who was recently also called up for Sweden's national squad, and the veteran Iceland international Teitur Thordarsson, who returned after a three-year spell as a professional in France and Switzerland, are banging in the goals.

It is good to see Gothenburg's "other" team Orgryte doing well, too. Although they are a smaller club than their powerful neighbours IFK, Orgryte have been strengthened by two ex-professionals, nippy striker Thomas Larsson (ex-Nice), who is now on his second spell with the club, and stopper Conny Karlsson (ex-IFK and Toronto Blizzard). Karlsson (31) has been such a dominant figure in defence that he was surprisingly named in Sweden's squad for the friendly international match versus Poland. Orgryte also have a competent coach in Agne Simonsson.

While several Swedes are earning their living by playing abroad, the local authorities are beginning to have a headache from the growing influx of foreign players in the domestic series. A recent calculation showed that there were no less than 51 foreign players active in Sweden's top two divisions.

The British players form the largest contingent of foreigners in Sweden with 16 players, followed by ten Yugoslavians and eight Finns. Four players come from both Poland and Iceland. Denmark, Greece and Iran (!) are represented by two players each and then there are one each from Tunisia, the US and the Republic of Ireland.

# ISRAEL SET FOR MEXICO

## From NADAV YA'ACOBY in Tel-Aviv

**ISRAEL appeared to put themselves firmly in the driving seat to win the Oceania World Cup qualifying section when they ran up 11 goals without reply in their opening two games against Taiwan.**

Both matches were played in Israel and while the first finished 6-0 to the hosts, they could have doubled the score — though it took 28 long minutes before veteran Arab star Rifat ('Jimmy') Turk opened the floodgates.

It needed only a further 11 minutes after that for Israel to establish a 3-0 lead thanks to a further goal from Turk and another from the other Arab, Zahi Armeli.

Uri Malmillian made it 4-0 in the 53rd minute with a free-kick and Turk completed his hat-trick in the 74th minute with a spectacular over-head kick. Malmillian sealed it all in the last minute with the best goal of the match.

A convincing win, but which left a lot to be desired when one considered the stiffer opposition of Australia and New Zealand. The most disappointing player was Eli Ohana, who is the most consistent Israeli goalscorer. In such an easy game he should have scored at least two or three goals.

Also disappointing was the second striker, Zahi although he did score once. The best players were the midfield stars Turk, Malmillian and Moshe Sinai. Sinai had returned only a few weeks earlier from England where he had trials with Manchester United.

One star who missed the game, because he has now been banned from playing for the national team is Beitar Jerusalem's 24-year-old right back Shlomo Shirazi,

Shirazi is accused of being involved in some robberies and other crimes, maybe even drug-related. The affair was for some days the main talking subject in Israel and brought a lot of negative publicity to the Israel game.

The new league season will open on September 14 but was due to halt for a six-week break after the third round, when the national team travel down-under, to meet Australia and New Zealand later this month (October).

At least they can do so with some confidence, thanks to the display and result of the second match against Taiwan, which the Israelis won 5-0.

Ohana, so disappointing in the first game, found his shooting boots this time and rattled in a hat-trick in a 22-minute spell in the second half after goals from Avi Cohen and Arneli had provided a 2-0 interval lead.

Cohen, the former Liverpool defender or midfielder, is the Israeli skipper and key man. It was felt that his European experience would be of particular value in coping with the direct, physical styles of New Zealand and Australia. The Aussies had prepared for the world Cup group with a four-match series against the touring Yogoslav club, Red Star Belgrade.

### WORLD CUP — OCEANIA QUALIFIERS

#### SEPTEMBER 3

**Ramat Gan**
**Israel 6** (Turk 28,,35,74, Malmillian 53, 90, Armeli 39)
**Taiwan 0**
**HT:** 3-0. **Att:** 30,000. **Ref:** Selomir (Romania).

**Israel:** Havin — G.Machness (Lasri 20), A. Cohen, Kirat, Pizanti, Ekhoiz (Rosenthal 80), Malmillian, Sinai, Turk, Armeli, Ohana.

**Taiwan:** Ven Jin Hen, Chang Huey Shyong, Chen Sing, Chang Yao Chuan, (Huang Sung Shun 46), Shiao Yung Fu, Shui Chi, Chen In Jen, Tsai Hong Yee, Duh Deng Sheng, Wang Yi Wen, Chiou Jeng Tsair.

#### SEPTEMBER 8

**Ramat Gan**
**Israel 5** (Ohana 5, 73,79, A. Cohen 7, Armeli 18)
**Taiwan 0**
**HT:** 2-0. **Att:** 10,000 **Ref:** Yon-Inga (Romania).

**Israel:** Haviv — Lasri (Rozental 25), A. Cohen, Kirat, Pizanti, Ekhoiz, Turk, Malmillian, Sinai, Armeli, Ohana.

**Taiwan:** Jin Hen — Chen Sing, (Ming San 63), Huey Shyoung, Yao Chuan, Hong Yee, In Jen, Dung Shien, Young Fu, Deng Sheng, Sing En, Sonig Shon (Yan Van 79).

### AUSTRALIA'S WARM-UP SERIES

#### JULY 31

**Australia 0**
**Red Star Belgrade 2** (Ivanovic 69, Djurovic 73)
**HT:** 0-0. **Att:** 7,891. **Ref:** Mellings (Aust).

**Australia:** Greedy — Odzakov, Fennings, Yankos, Ratcliffe — O'Connor (Patikas 78), Watson (Arnold 78), Soper, Brown — Murphy, Crino.

**Red Star:** Ljukovcan — Dimitriejevic, Jankovic, Miletovic Radovanovic — Krmpotic, Nikolic, Djurovski, Musemic — Djurovski, Ivanovic.

#### AUGUST 4

**Australia 4** (Crino 15, Odzakov 19, Soper 44, Arnold 57).
**Red Star Belgrade 1** (Musemic 32).
**HT:** 3-1. **Att:** 7,554. **Ref:** Lorenc (Aust).

**Australia:** Olver — Odzakov (McCulloch 85), O'Connor, Ratcliffe, Yankos, Jennings (Gray 47) — Watson, Crino, Murphy — Arnold (Patikas 80), Soper.

**Red Star:** Ljukovcan — Radovanovic, Dimitrijevic, Elsner, Miletovic (Nikolic 65), Krmpotic — Djurovic (Ivanovic 65), B. Djurovski, M. Djurovski — Musemic, Jankovic (Mrkela 46).

#### AUGUST 9

**Australia 1** (Arnold 10)
**Red Star Belgrade 4** (Djurovski 17, B Djurovski 52, 60, Mrkela 72).
**HT:** 1-1. **Att:** 6,000. **Ref:** Campbell (Aust).

**Australia:** Greedy — Odzakov, Honeyman, Dunn (Mitchell 55), Ratcliffe — Jenning, Watson, Crino, Murphy (Petersen 66), Soper (Brown 30), Arnold.

**Red Star:** Ljukovcan — Radovanovic, Dimitriejevic, Elsener, Miletovic — Krmpotic, Nikolic (Zjajo 78), B Djurovski, M Kjurovski — Mrkela, Musemic.

#### AUGUST 11

**Australia 4** (Mitchell 9, Yankos 65 pen, Patikas 68, Arnold 44)
**Red Star Belgrade** 0
**HT:** 1-0. **Att:** 6,500. **Ref:** Mellings (Aust).

**Australia:** Greedy — Gray, Ratcliffe, O'Connor, Yankos — Odzakov, Watson, (McCulloch 48), Crino — Murphy, Mitchell (Arnold 80), Patikas.

**Red Star:** Ljukovcan — Krmpotic, Radovanovic, Miletovic, B. Djurovic — M. Djurovski, Kjurovic (Zjajo 46), Jankovic (Krdzevic 46), Nikolic — Ivanovic, Musemic (Elsener 51).

IN THE Asian World Cup qualifiers, only 19,000 fans turned out to see Japan beat Hong Kong 3-0 at Kobe, western Japan where football is not very popular as a spectator sport, though hundreds of supporters went to Kobe from Tokyo by buses and Shin-kansen bullet trains. Tokyo's national stadium is closed during the summer season for repairs.

Japan, after that disastrous elimination from the Olympic qualifying tournament a year ago, had recovered very well this year to clinch first place in the World Cup Asia 4B group to earn the tie with Hong Kong.

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## EUROPEAN INTERNATIONAL REVIEW

### AUGUST 7

**Moscow — friendly**
**Sov Union 2** (Protasov 48, Cherenkov 75)
**Rumania 0**
**HT:** 0-0. **Att:** 30,000. **Ref:** Suchanek (Pol)

**Sov Union:** Dassayev — Larionov, Chivadze, Vishnevsky (Morozov 44), Demianenko — Litovchenko, Aleinikov, Zihmantovich (Zavarov 66), Cherenkov (Belanov 80) — Protasov (Pozdnyakov 80), Blokhin (Yakubovsky 80).

**Rumania:** Moraru (Lung 46) — Iorgulescu (Iovan 46), Stefanescu, Ungureanu — Rednic, Stoica (Mateut 46), Bölöni, Klein (Zare 80) — Hagi, Coras (Balint 83), Camataru.

Both Russians and Rumanians regarded this as a useful test before the autumn's World Cup challenges. Though how much the respective managers could gain from a match which featured no fewer than 10 substitutions must be open to question. The Soviets began and ended the first half strongly. In the 11th minute Cherenkov forced a sharp save from Moraru and on the half-hour the recalled Oleg Blokhin was only just off target. In between Camataru, Hagi and Coras put in goal attempts at the other end — in vain. Within three minutes of the restart after the interval, the Soviets went ahead. Cherenkov shot, substitute keeper Lung parried but could not hold the ball, and Protasov followed up to score. It was a lead the hosts increased quarter of an hour from time: this time Blokhin supplied the winner for Cherenkov.

### AUGUST 14

**Oslo — friendly**
**Norway 0**
**East Germany 1** (Kirsten 17)
**HT:** 0-1. **Att:** 10,597. **Ref:** Jensen (Den).

**Norway:** Thorstvedt — Henriksen, Sollied, Hareide, Mordt (Jørn Andersen 72), Erlandsen, Ahlsen (Fjaelberg 52), H. Thoresen, Davidsen, Pal Jacobsen, Økland.

**East Germany:** Müller — Rohde, Kreer, Sänger, Zötzsche, Pilz, Liebers (Stübner 64), Kirsten (Heun 86), Minge, Ernst, Thom.

Norway began well but the visitors grabbed the only goal against the run of play in the 17th minute when Kirsten outran Norwegian centre backs Hareide and Sollied. After that the East Germans built a secure defensive wall around their penalty area and Norway had no real solution. Their passing was poor and inaccurate and the East Germans might have scored more goals on the break. Of the Norwegians, few players came anywhere near their best — though one of them was goalkeeper Erik Thorstvedt, whom Tottenham had tried to sign as cover for Ray Clemence in the English first division.

### AUGUST 21

**Malmo — friendly**
**Sweden 1** (A. Ravelli 74)
**Poland 0**
**HT:** 0-0. **Att:** 12,476. **Ref:** Halle (Nor).

**Sweden:** Wernersson — Erlandsson, Karlsson, P. Larsson, Fredriksson — Eriksson, Prytz (Truedsson 75), Petersson, A. Ravelli — T. Nilsson, D. Larsson (Borg 70).

**Poland:** Mlynarczyk — Ostrowski, Przybys, Wojcicki, Wdowczyk — Matysik, Buncol (Dziekanowski 46), Tarasziewicz, Komornicki — Iwan (Palasz 72), Smolarek.

Poland, looking to their decisive World Cup tie against Belgium, put out virtually a full-strength line-up in this game — including striker Andrzej Iwan who has been given a new lease of life by his transfer from relegated Wisla Krakow to champions Gornik Zabrze. Even his attacking edge was not enough, however, against a Swedish team who played above themselves — "Our finest game for a long time," said manager Lars Arnesson — despite the absence from duty of five foreign-based regulars. West German boss Franz Beckenbauer thought the Swedes should have won by four clear goals. The only goal was a header from the versatile Andreas Ravelli to a cross from Torbjorn Nilsson. Ravelli plays sweeper with his club, Oster Vaxjo, but switched to the role of attacking midfielder against the Poles.

### AUGUST 21

**Paris — Artemio Franchi Trophy (Intercontinental championship)**
**France 2** (Rocheteau 4, Toure 57)
**Uruguay 0**
**HT:** 1-0. **Att:** 20,405. **Ref:** Gnecco (Arg).

**France:** Bats — Bibard, Le Roux, Bossis, Ayache — Tusseau, Fernandez, Giresse, Platini — Rocheteau, Toure.

**Uruguay:** Rodriguez — Diogo, Pereyra, Gutierrez, Batista — Bossio, Barrios (Dalto 79), Francescoli, Santini — Venancio Ramos, Cabrera (Saralegui 79).

This match was arranged for the first time between the champions of two continents for the Artemio Franchi Trophy, to honour the memory of the late president of UEFA. Most of the match did not really match the occasion and the Parc des Princes was less than half full. France went ahead in the fourth minute. Alain Giresse gained possession in midfield, fed Michel Platini with a long pass, and the French captain sent it on to Rocheteau. He turned inside one defender before chipping an angled shot beyond goalkeeper Rodolfo Rodriguez, appearing in his 88th international.

That goal clearly rattled the Uruguayans who had Victor Diogo booked in the 20th minute for felling Jose Toure, and then Dario Pereyra cautioned two minutes for another foul on the same player. Nantes star Toure had to limp to the touchline for treatment.

The French refused to be intimidated and nearly scored a second goal before the interval when Platini's left-foot shot from the edge of the penalty box forced Rodriguez to hurry into a save at the near post. France made sure of victory 12 minutes into the second half. Again Giresse was the creator with a lofted pass which Toure controlled on his chest before closing on Rodriguez and shooting home after taking a return pass from Platini. Platini might have had a goal himself two minutes from time after a free kick was awarded to France for a foul by Pereyra on Rocheteau. Giresse touched the free kick for Platini and the Juventus star fired his right foot shot past Rodriguez but against a post.

### AUGUST 27

**Los Angeles**
**Mexico 1** (Boy 78 pen)
**Bulgaria 1** (Iskrenov 65)
**HT:** 0-0. **Att:** 15,000. **Ref:** Abotalebi (US).

**Mexico:** Heredia — Servin, Quirarte, Cruz, Amador — Munoz (Espana), Negrete, Aguirre, Boy — Hugo Sanchez, Flores (Hermosillo).

**Bulgaria:** Valov — Koev, Dimitrov, Arabov, Petrov — Gospodinov, Zdravkov, Sadikov, Kostadinov (Nielov) — Getov, Iskrenov (Kerchev).

This was the last match of a four-team tournament in the Los Angeles Coliseum involving Chile B and the Brazilian club, Corinthians of Sao Paulo — who surprisingly finished up as tournament winners. Corinthians and Bulgaria began the tournament with a bright match which ended in a 3-3 draw after the Bulgarians led 1-0 then 2-1 then 3-2. They also contributed Corinthians' final equaliser with an own goal from substitute defender Iliev. Mexico beat Chile B 2-1 and Corinthians beat the Chileans — on their way home after winning the Independence Cup in Indonesia — by 2-1 in a game which saw Brazil international Casagrande sent off for dissent. So to the Mexico-Bulgaria game. In the 65th minute Bulgaria went ahead when Iskrenov scored after Heredia could only parry a shot by Getov. But Mexico equalised 12 minutes from time when Real Madrid's new £1.5 million striker Hugo Sanchez was fouled by goalkeeper Valov at a corner. Mexican skipper Tomas Boy scored from the penalty spot.

### AUGUST 28

**Timisoara — WC Euro gp 3**
**Rumania 2** (Hagi 6, Mateut 57)
**Finland 0**
**HT:** 1-0. **Att:** 45,000. **Ref:** Petrovic (Yug).

**Rumania:** Moraru — Rednic, Stefanescu, Ungureanu, Mateut, Iorgulescu (Iovan 67), Coras (Gabor 46), Klein, Camataru, Bölöni, Hagi.

**Finland:** Huttunen — Houtsonen, Nieminen, Europaeus, Ikalainen, Rautiainen, Ukkonen (Petaja 71), Hjelm, Lipponen, Rantanen, Turunen.

Rumania pulled up into second place in the group, behind England but ahead on goal difference of Northern Ireland and their victims in Timisoara, Finland. The brilliant Gheorghe Hagi put Rumania ahead after only six minutes when he shot home a Michael Klein cross from close range. Finland wasted a chance to equalise after 16 minutes when Rautiainen was narrowly wide with a shot from just inside the Rumanian penalty area. But generally it was the Rumanians who dominated the match and could have scored many more goals.

Their greatest threats came in the second half, after Gabor came on as substitute for Coras, and Sandu Mateut scored their second goal in the 57th minute when he converted a cross from Hagi. Finland squandered another chance — this time Rantanen was the culprit — in the 78th minute but it was really Rumania who should have scored more.

**Moscow — friendly**
**Soviet Union 1** (Zigmantovich 63)
**West Germany 0**
**HT:** 0-0. **Att:** 82,000. **Ref:** Ravander (Fin).

**Soviet Union:** Dassayev — Morozov, Chivadze, Demianenko, Bubnov, Zigmantovich, Gotsmanov (Larionov 84), Protasov (Kondratiev 85), Aleinkov, Cherenkov (Guarilov) 34), Blokhin.

**West Germany:** Schumacher — Berthold, Brehme, K. Förster, Herget, Matthäus, Littbarski, Rahn, Völler, Magath, K. Allofs (Meier 25).

A second-half goal from Andrei Zigmantovich after a midfield blunder by Littbarski, brought a victory for the Soviet Union to improve their morale in their last warm-up game before three decisive World Cup ties. The Soviets were due to play Denmark in the Lenin/Olympic Stadium in Moscow on September 25 as their next match. Franz Beckenbauer's West Germans were without Italian-based Karl-Heinz Rummenigge and Hans-Peter Briegel who were kept away because of club cup commitments with Internazionale of Milan and Verona.

After a slow, equal first half the Soviets increased their pressure after the interval. West German skipper Harald Schumacher saved well from Gotsmanov in the 62nd minute but almost immediately Fyodor Cherenkov — the best Soviet player — set up the only goal for Zigmantovich.

Despite this defeat the West Germans still lead the Soviets seven wins to three in their overall meetings.

**St Gallen — friendly**
**Switzerland 0**
**Turkey 0**
**Att:** 8,000

**Switzerland:** Engel — Egli, Wehrli, In-Albon — Hermann, Geiger, Bregy, Decastel (Koller 62) — Zwicker, Brigger (Matthey 46), Cina (Braschler 46).

**Turkey:** Yasar — Ismail, Abdulkerim, Rasit, Erdogan — Ridvan (Ozdemir 89), Mujdat (Gunes 85), Hasan, Metin (Tufekci 71) — Senol Corlu, Keser.

England's World Cup opponents — rivals would hardly be an appropriate term — Turkey claimed a draw in a disappointing friendly. Switzerland made a lively start and might have gone ahead in the 11th minute. However, Jean-Paul Brigger hit the post. Turkey recovered, and on the half-hour Muydat Yetkiner was badly at fault with only goalkeeper Engel to beat. Five minutes from time the Swiss might have grabbed an undeserved winner but Yasar saved well from Hans-Peter Zwicker.

# ESULTS Classified

### EUROPEAN UNDER-21 CHAMPIONSHIP

**Group 1 — Oct 16** (Kraklow): **Poland 5** Kaczmarek 10, 42, 64, Lesniak 2, Araszkiewicz 25) **Greece 1** (Nobials 57). **Oct 30** (Zamosz): **Poland 2** (Urban 56, 69) **Albania 0. Feb 26** (Chalkis): **Greece 2** (Papatheodoru 68, Dimopulos 87), **Albania 0. May 18** (Piraeus): **Greece 2** (Vlastos 6, Lukasik og 53), **Poland 1** (Lukasik 10). **May 29** (Berat): **Albania 1** (Fakja 53), **Poland 2** (Wenclewski 53, Araskiewicz 86), **Poland qualify for quarter-finals.**

**Group 2 — Sept 11** (Sodertaeljie): **Sweden 1** (P. Larsson 44) **Portugal 1** (Caetano 70). **Oct 13** (Pacos de Ferreia): **Portugal 0 Czechoslovakia 1** (Kuklik 87). **Oct 16** (Münster): **West Germany 1** (Thon 34) **Sweden 0. Nov 13** (Montijo): **Portugal 0 Sweden 1** (R. Nilsson 84). **Feb 23** (Lisbon): **Portugal 2** (Jorge Silva 17 and 80), **West Germany 1** (Foda 78 pen). **Apr 30** (Mlada Boleslav): **Czechoslovakia 1** (Skuhravy 9), **W. Germany 1** (Funkel 18). **Jun 4** (Enkoeping): **Sweden 1** (Turesson 89), **Czechoslovakia 0.**

**Group 3 — Oct 16** (Southampton): **England 2** (Waddle 2, Dickens 80) **Finland 0. Oct 30** (Isparta): **Turkey 1 Finland 1. Nov 13** (Bursa): **Turkey 0 England 0. Apr 2** (Slatina): **Rumania 1** (Belodedici 75), **Turkey 0. Apr 30** (Brasov): **Rumania 0 England 0. May 21** (Mikkeli): **Finland 3** (Makela 10, Pakkanen 12, Lius 85), **England 1** (Dixon 55). **Jun 5** (Varkaus): **Finland 2** (Tornvall 52, Lius 85), **Rumania 2** (Vaidean 35, 75). **Aug 27** (Constanta): **Rumania 0, Finland 0. Sep 10** (Ipswich): **England 3** (S. Robson, Hodge 2), **Rumania 0.**

**Group 4 — Sept 28** (Zrenjanin): **Yugoslavia 1** (Asanovic 26 pen) **Bulgaria 2** (Stoinov 48, Pasev 72). **Oct 19** (Halle): **East Germany 1** (Linder 37 pen) **Yugoslavia 1** (Savevski 75). **Nov 20** (Auxerre): **France 2** (Fernier 46, 81) **Bulgaria 1** (Pashev 73). **Dec 7** (Lorient): **France 1** (Buscher 73). **East Germany 1** (Krauss 31 pen). **Apr 2** (Sarajevo): **Yugoslavia 0 France 0. Apr 5** (Plovdiv): **Bulgaria 3** (Pashev 7, 11, Stoinov 61), **E. Germany 2** (Baum 82, Pastor 84). **May 1** (Plovdiv): **Bulgaria 4** (Stoinov 34, 71, Zehtinski 56, Koev 65), **France 0. Sep 11** (Karl-Marx-Stadt): **E. Germany 1** (Doll), **France 1** (Doll og).

**Group 5 — May 1 (Limassol): Cyprus 1** (Demosthenos 30), **Austria 1** (Streiter 49). **Jun 2** (Plovdiv): **Bulgaria 3** (Kolev 7, 16, Valikov 62), **Yugoslavia 6** (Djukic 23, 86, Cvetkovic 42, 44, Mihajlovic 55, Asanovic 71). **Sept 25** (Szombathely): **Hungary 2** (Poltar 9, Bognar 70) **Austria 0. Oct 16** (Breda): **Holland 1** (Bakker 86) **Hungary 0. Nov 13** (Krems): **Austria 0 Holland 0. Nov 17** (Pafos): **Hungary 3** (Zsinka 4, Plotar 54, 57) **Cyprus 1** (Klentanou 59). **Dec 22** (Paralimni): **Cyprus 1, Holland 3. Feb 26** (Leeuwarden): **Holland 5 Cyprus 0. Apr 2** (Vac): **Hungary 1 Cyprus 0. Apr 16** (Fürstenfeld): **Austria 1** (Keglevits 27), **Hungary 2** (Bognar 21, Plotar 49). **Apr 30** (Roosendaal): **Holland 2** (Bakker 36, Bosman 38), **Austria 1** (Steinkogler 90). **May 13** (Budapest): **Hungary 1, Holland 0. May 14** (Graz): **Austria 0, Cyprus 0. Hungary qualifying for quarter-finals.**

**Group 6 — Sept 11** (Sandefjord): **Norway 3** (Jan Berg 42, Haberg 65, 88) **Switzerland 0. Sept 25** (Brondby): **Denmark 2** (Juul 16, O. B. Jensen 26) **Norway 2** (Jan Berg 65, Seland 67). **Oct 10** (Fredrikstad): **Norway 2** (Habrg 19, Seland 87) **Soviet Union 1** (Salimov 7). **Oct 16** (Neufeld/Bern): **Switzerland 1** (Zuffi 63) **Denmark 1** (Thychosen 58). **Apr 16** (Grenchen): **Switzerland 4** (Matthey 6, 40 pen, Bonvin 33, de Siebenthal 62), **Sov. Union 2** (Belanov 70 pen, Narbekovas 85). **Apr 30** (Moscow): **Sov. Union 1** (Karatiev 86), **Switzerland 0. Jun 4** (Naestved): **Denmark 1** (Larsen 81), **Soviet Union 0.**

**Group 7 — Oct 16** (Motherwell): **Scotland 1** (R. Aitken 47) **Iceland 0. Nov 13** (Dundee): **Scotland 0 Spain 2** (Eloy, Beguristain). **Feb 26** (Cadiz): **Spain 0, Scotland 0. May 27** (Reykjavik): **Iceland 2** (Askelsson, Ragnersson), **Scotland 0. Jun 11** (Kopavogvoellur): **Iceland 0, Spain 1** (Pineda 40). **Spain qualify for quarter-finals.**

**Group 8 — Oct 17** (Brussels): **Belgium 5** (Desart, Thans 2, Derouck, Mergan) **Luxembourg 1** (Grimberger). **Mar 27** (Brussels): **Belgium 1** (Thans 68), **Italy 1** (Mancini 53 pen). **Apr 17** (Benevento): **Italy 5** (Baldieri 44, 62, Mancini 65, 74, Vialli 79), **Luxembourg 1** (Malget 59).

### OTHER MATCHES

**July 8** (Rostov on Don): SKA Rostov 0, Algeria 0.

**July 11** (Moscow): Torpedo 4, Algeria 1.

**July 14** (Bordeaux): Bordeaux 3 (Pascal 12, Reinders 17, 68), France 2 (Xuereb 75, Stopyra 84) (Marius Tresor retirement/benefit match).

**July 24** (Neuenberg): Switzerland 1 (Brigger 16), Aberdeen 0.

**Aug 2** (Graz): Grazer AK 1 (Jedynak 57), East Germany 0.

**Aug 4** (Bucharest): Rumania 5 (Hagi, Coras 2, Bölöni, Zare), Chemie Leipzig 2 (Winkler, Scholz).

**Aug 6** (Hanko): Finland 2 (Niinimaki 50, 85), Botafogo 1 (Pedro Leo 89).

**Aug 11** (Sofia): Bulgaria XI 2, Trakia Plovdiv 2 (9-8 on pens).

**Aug 13** (Rana): Norway U21 0, East Germany U21 4 (Förster 10, Glowatzky 44, 89, Grether 69).

**Aug 16** (Piraeus): Olympiakos 0, Czechoslovakia 2 (Vizek, Hasek).

**Aug 25** (Los Angeles): Corinthians Sao Paulo 3 (Eduardo 30, Zenon 44, N. Iliev og 82), Bulgaria 3 (Iskrenov 17, Getov 38, Kostadinov 64).

**Aug 26** (Grevenmacher): Luxembourg 1 (Richter 80), Fortuna Köln 1. (Luzern): Luzern 2 (Wyss 44, Widmer og 45), Switzerland U21 2 (Hertig 11, Grossenbacher 36).

**Aug 27** (Moscow, Dynamo stadium): Sov. Union B 2 (Eckstein 60, Karatiev 77), West Germany U21 1 (Dimitriev 72).

**Aug 28** (Chorzow): Poland 2 (Komornicki 17, Wojcicki 25), Ferencvaros 0.

**Aug 29** (Belgrade): Yugoslavia 2 (Gracan 57, Skoro 68), Yugoslav Press Select 3 (Musemic 40, 73, B. Durovski 47).

### INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL CUP
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Final tables

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
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| **Group 1** | | | | | | | |
| Werder Bremen | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 19 | 9 | 9 |
| Malmo | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 13 | 5 | 6 |
| Carl Zeiss Jena | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 6 |
| Antwerp | 6 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 19 | 3 |
| **Group 2** | | | | | | | |
| Rot-Weiss Erfurt | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 16 | 5 | 8 |
| Fortuna D'dorf | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 11 | 14 | 7 |
| FC Liege | 6 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 5 |
| Twente Enschede | 6 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 10 | 4 |
| **Group 3** | | | | | | | |
| IFK Gothenburg | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 9 | 5 | 7 |
| Lech Poznan | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 15 | 14 | 6 |
| Admira Wacker | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 13 | 13 | 6 |
| Brondby | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 11 | 5 |
| **Group 4** | | | | | | | |
| AIK Stockholm | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 12 | 5 | 7 |
| Videoton | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 11 | 7 |
| Bohemians Praha | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 12 | 10 | 5 |
| St Gallen | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 15 | 5 |
| **Group 5** | | | | | | | |
| Wismut Aue | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 9 | 8 | 7 |
| Slavia Praha | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 17 | 13 | 6 |
| Eintracht Bwg | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 15 | 14 | 6 |
| Viking Stavanger | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 10 | 16 | 5 |
| **Group 6** | | | | | | | |
| Sparta Praha | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 15 | 8 | 8 |
| Lyngby | 6 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 12 | 12 | 8 |
| Lechia Gdansk | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 5 |
| FC Zurich | 6 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 9 | 3 |
| **Group 7** | | | | | | | |
| Gornii Zabrze | 6 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 14 | 5 | 11 |
| Zalaegerszeg | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 11 | 10 | 6 |
| Young Boys Bern | 6 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 12 | 17 | 4 |
| Aarhus GF | 6 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 12 | 17 | 3 |
| **Group 8** | | | | | | | |
| Maccabi Haifa | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 13 | 12 | 9 |
| Arminia Bielefeld | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 11 | 7 | 6 |
| Sturm Graz | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 6 | 6 |
| Beitar Jerusalem | 6 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 12 | 3 |
| **Group 9** | | | | | | | |
| Banik Ostrava | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 11 | 4 | 8 |
| Vejle | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 9 | 8 | 8 |
| Lokomotiv Sofia | 6 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 9 | 13 | 4 |
| Linzer ASK | 6 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 10 | 4 |
| **Group 10** | | | | | | | |
| Ujpest Dozsa | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 11 | 5 | 9 |
| Valerengen | 6 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 11 | 11 | 8 |
| Hammarby | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 14 | 12 | 5 |
| Eisenstadt | 6 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 6 | 14 | 2 |
| **Group 11** | | | | | | | |
| MTK/VM | 6 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 17 | 7 | 10 |
| Chernomore Bourgas | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 11 | 12 | 5 |
| Start Kristiansand | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 12 | 5 |
| Aarau | 6 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 10 | 15 | 4 |

### CUP OF THE ALPS
Final tables

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
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| **Group 1** | | | | | | | |
| Auxerre | 4 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 2 | 11(3) |
| Sochaux | 4 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 1 | 9(1) |
| Chaux de Fonds | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 15 | 0 |
| Neuchatal Xamax | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 21 | 0 |
| **Group 2** | | | | | | | |
| Monaco | 4 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 2 | 11(3) |
| Nantes | 4 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 4 | 9(1) |
| Grasshoppers | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 13 | 0 |
| Lausanne | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 16 | 0 |

Final (to be played): Auxerre v Monaco.

Note: In parentheses after points total are the bonus points awarded to the club scoring the highest win of each round and each group with at least a three-goal margin. The groups are organised with the two French clubs playing two Swiss both home and away. Clubs from the same country do not meet.

### SUMMER TOURNAMENTS

**Bern** (Philips Cup): Young Boys 1, Botafogo 2 — Servette 0, Borussia Mg 0 (2-3p). **3rd:** Young Boys 3, Servette 2. **Final:** Botafogo 5, Borussia Mg 0.

**Rotterdam:** Feyenoord 1, Gremio 2 — Bayern Munich 4, Honved 3. **3rd:** Feyenoord 4, Honved 1. **Final:** Gremio 2, Bayern 1.

**Liege:** Standard 2, Hamburg 0 — FC Liege 3, Köln 2. **3rd:** Hamburg 1, Köln 5. **Final:** Standard 3, FC Liege 3 (4-2p).

**Palma de Mallorca:** Mallorca 0, Barcelona 1 — Gijon 2, Gremio 2. **3rd:** Mallorca 1, Gijon 1 (3-4p). **Final:** Gremio 1, Barcelona 0.

**Amsterdam:** Ajax 2, Verona 0 — Atletico Mineiro 3, Bilbao 1. **3rd:** Bilbao 1, Verona 0. **Final:** Ajax 4, At. Mineiro 1.

**Teresa Herrera** (La Coruna): Real Madrid 0, Atletico Madrid 2 — FC Porto 1, Fluminense 0. **3rd:** Fluminense 2, Real Madrid 0. **Final:** At. Madrid 1, FC Porto 0.

**Eindhoven: 3rd:** Roma 0, FK Austria 0 (4-2p). **Final:** PSV 1, Anderlecht 0.

**Cesena** (Italy): Santos 1, Independiente 1 (3-5p) — Internazionale 0, Penarol 0 (2-4p). **3rd:** Inter 3, Santos 2. **Final:** Penarol 3, Independiente 1.

**La Linea:** Barcelona 3, Boavista 1 — At. Mineiro 2, Cadiz 0. **3rd:** Cadiz 1, Boavista 1 (4-2p). **Final:** Barcelona 3, At. Mineiro 1.

**Costa Verde** (Gijon): **Final:** Gijon 1, Oviedo 0.

**Vigo:** Valladolid 2, Dynamo Kiev 4 — Celta de Vigo 2, Valladolid 3 — Celta 0, Kiev 0. **Winners:** Kiev.

**Colombino** (Huelva): At. Madrid 4, Botafogo 2 — Sevilla 4, Huelva 1. **3rd:** Huelva 2, Botafogo 2 (3-4p). **Final:** Sevilla 3, At. Madrid 2.

**Marbella: 3rd:** At. Marbella 1, Malaga 1 (4-5p). **Final:** Penarol 1, Betis 1 (Penarol on penalties).

**Festa d'Elig: Final:** Elche 0, Real Madrid 3.

**City of Lisbon:** Sporting Lisbon 0, Shamrock Rovers 1 — Benfica 0, Shamrock Rovers 0 — Benfica 2, Sporting 1. **Winners:** Benfica.

**Juan Gamper** (Barcelona): Hamburg 2, Ajax 1 — Barcelona 4, Rapid Vienna 2. **3rd:** Ajax 4, Rapid 2. **Final:** Barcelona 3, Hamburg 0.

**Santander:** Santander 2, Shamrock Rovers 0 — Atletico Madrid 2, Shamrock Rovers 0 — Santander 1, Atletico Madrid 0. **Winners:** Santander.

**Valladolid: 3rd:** Gremio 2, Un. Catolica 2. **Final:** Valladolid 2, Ujpest Dozsa 1.

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## EUROPE

### Group 1

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 17.10.84 | Belgium — Albania | 3-1 |
| 17.10.84 | Poland — Greece | 3-1 |
| 31.10.84 | Poland — Albania | 2-2 |
| 19.12.84 | Greece — Belgium | 0-0 |
| 22.12.84 | Albania — Belgium | 2-0 |
| 27. 2.85 | Greece — Albania | 2-0 |
| 27. 3.85 | Belgium — Greece | 2-0 |
| 1. 5.85 | Belgium — Poland | 2-0 |
| 19. 5.85 | Greece — Poland | 1-4 |
| 30. 5.85 | Albania — Poland | 0-1 |
| 11. 9.85 | Poland — Belgium | 0-0 |
| 19.10.85 | Albania — Greece | |

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Poland | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 6 | 8 |
| Belgium | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 8 |
| Albania | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 8 | 3 |
| Greece | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 9 | 3 |

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BELGIUM PLAY-OFF

### Group 2

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 23. 5.84 | Sweden — Malta | 4-0 |
| 12. 9.84 | Sweden — Portugal | 0-1 |
| 14.10.84 | Portugal — Czecho | 2-1 |
| 17.10.84 | W. Germany — Sweden | 2-0 |
| 31.10.84 | Czecho — Malta | 4-0 |
| 14.11.84 | Portugal — Sweden | 1-3 |
| 16.12.84 | Malta — W. Germany | 2-3 |
| 10. 2.85 | Malta — Portugal | 1-3 |
| 24. 2.85 | Portugal — W. Germany | 1-2 |
| 27. 3.85 | W. Germany — Malta | 6-0 |
| 21. 4.85 | Malta — Czecho | 0-0 |
| 1. 5.85 | Czecho — W. Germany | 1-5 |
| 5. 6.85 | Sweden — Czecho | 2-0 |
| 25. 9.85 | Sweden — W. Germany | |
| 25. 9.85 | Czecho — Portugal | |
| 12.10.85 | Portugal — Malta | |
| 16.10.85 | Czecho — Sweden | |
| 16.10.85 | W. Germany — Portugal | |
| 17.11.85 | W. Germany — Czecho | |
| 17.11.85 | Malta — Sweden | |

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| W. Germany | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 4 | 10 |
| Sweden | 5 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 9 | 4 | 6 |
| Portugal | 5 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 8 | 7 | 6 |
| Czechoslovakia | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 3 |
| Malta | 6 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 20 | 1 |

### Group 3

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 27. 5.84 | Finland — N. Ireland | 1-0 |
| 12. 9.84 | N. Ireland — Rumania | 3-2 |
| 17.10.84 | England — Finland | 5-0 |
| 31.10.84 | Turkey — Finland | 1-2 |
| 14.11.84 | N. Ireland — Finland | 2-1 |
| 14.11.84 | Turkey — England | 0-8 |
| 27. 2.85 | N. Ireland — England | 0-1 |
| 3. 4.85 | Rumania — Turkey | 3-0 |
| 1. 5.85 | N. Ireland — Turkey | 2-0 |
| 1. 5.85 | Rumania — England | 0-0 |
| 22. 5.85 | Finland — England | 1-1 |
| 6. 6.85 | Finland — Rumania | 1-1 |
| 28. 8.85 | Rumania — Finland | 2-0 |
| 11. 9.85 | Turkey — N. Ireland | 0-0 |
| 11. 9.85 | England — Rumania | 1-1 |
| 25. 9.85 | Finland — Turkey | |
| 16.10.85 | Rumania — N. Ireland | |
| 16.10.85 | England — Turkey | |
| 13.11.85 | England — N. Ireland | |
| 14.11.85 | Turkey — Rumania | |

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| England | 6 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 16 | 2 | 9 |
| Rumania | 6 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 9 | 5 | 7 |
| N. Ireland | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 5 | 7 |
| Finland | 7 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 12 | 6 |
| Turkey | 5 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 15 | 1 |

### Group 4

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 29. 9.84 | Yugoslavia — Bulgaria | 0-0 |
| 13.10.84 | Luxembourg — France | 0-4 |
| 20.10.84 | E. Germany — Yugoslavia | 2-3 |
| 17.11.84 | Luxembourg — E. Germany | 0-5 |
| 21.11.84 | France — Bulgaria | 1-0 |
| 5.12.84 | Bulgaria — Luxembourg | 4-0 |
| 8.12.84 | France — E. Germany | 2-0 |
| 27. 3.85 | Yugoslavia — Luxembourg | 1-0 |
| 3. 4.85 | Yugoslavia — France | 0-0 |
| 6. 4.85 | Bulgaria — E. Germany | 1-0 |
| 1. 5.85 | Luxembourg — Yugoslavia | 0-1 |
| 2. 5.85 | Bulgaria — France | 2-0 |
| 18. 5.85 | E. Germany — Luxembourg | 3-1 |
| 1. 6.85 | Bulgaria — Yugoslavia | 2-1 |
| 11. 9.85 | E. Germany — France | 2-0 |
| 25. 9.85 | Luxembourg — Bulgaria | |
| 28. 9.85 | Yugoslavia — E. Germany | |
| 30.10.85 | France — Luxembourg | |
| 16.11.85 | France — Yugoslavia | |
| 16.11.85 | E. Germany — Bulgaria | |

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bulgaria | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 2 | 9 |
| Yugoslavia | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 8 |
| France | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 4 | 7 |
| E. Germany | 6 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 12 | 7 | 6 |
| Luxembourg | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 18 | 0 |

### Group 5

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 2. 5.84 | Cyprus — Austria | 1-2 |
| 26. 9.84 | Hungary — Austria | 3-1 |
| 17.10.84 | Holland — Hungary | 1-2 |
| 14.11.84 | Austria — Holland | 1-0 |
| 17.11.84 | Cyprus — Hungary | 1-2 |
| 23.12.84 | Cyprus — Holland | 0-1 |
| 27. 2.85 | Holland — Cyprus | 7-1 |
| 3. 4.85 | Hungary — Cyprus | 2-0 |
| 17. 4.85 | Austria — Hungary | 0-3 |
| 1. 5.85 | Holland — Austria | 1-1 |
| 14. 5.85 | Austria — Cyprus | 4-0 |
| 14. 5.85 | Hungary — Holland | 0-1 |

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Hungary | 6 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 12 | 4 | 10 |
| Holland | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 11 | 5 | 7 |
| Austria | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 9 | 8 | 7 |
| Cyprus | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 3 | 18 | 0 |

HUNGARY IN FINALS
HOLLAND PLAY-OFF

### Group 6

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 12. 9.84 | Rep Ireland — Sov Union | 1-0 |
| 12. 9.84 | Norway — Switzerland | 0-1 |
| 26. 9.84 | Denmark — Norway | 1-0 |
| 10.10.84 | Norway — Sov Union | 1-1 |
| 17.10.84 | Switzerland — Denmark | 1-0 |
| 17.10.84 | Norway — Rep Ireland | 1-0 |
| 14.11.84 | Denmark — Rep Ireland | 3-0 |
| 17. 4.85 | Switzerland — Sov Union | 2-2 |
| 1. 5.85 | Rep Ireland — Norway | 0-0 |
| 2. 5.85 | Sov Union — Switzerland | 4-0 |
| 2. 6.85 | Rep Ireland — Switzerland | 3-0 |
| 5. 6.85 | Denmark — Sov Union | 4-2 |
| 11. 9.85 | Switzerland — Rep Ireland | 0-0 |
| 25. 9.85 | Sov Union — Denmark | |
| 9.10.85 | Denmark — Switzerland | |
| 16.10.85 | Norway — Denmark | |
| 16.10.85 | Sov Union — Rep Ireland | |
| 30.10.85 | Sov Union — Norway | |
| 13.11.85 | Switzerland — Norway | |
| 13.11.85 | Rep Ireland — Denmark | |

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Denmark | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 3 | 6 |
| Rep Ireland | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 6 |
| Switzerland | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 9 | 6 |
| Sov Union | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 8 | 4 |
| Norway | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 4 |

### Group 7

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 12. 9.84 | Iceland — Wales | 1-0 |
| 17.10.84 | Spain — Wales | 3-0 |
| 17.10.84 | Scotland — Iceland | 3-0 |
| 14.11.84 | Scotland — Spain | 3-1 |
| 14.11.84 | Wales — Iceland | 2-1 |
| 27. 2.85 | Spain — Scotland | 1-0 |
| 27. 3.85 | Scotland — Wales | 0-1 |
| 30. 4.85 | Wales — Spain | 3-0 |
| 28. 5.85 | Iceland — Scotland | 0-1 |
| 12. 6.85 | Iceland — Spain | 1-2 |
| 10. 9.85 | Wales — Scotland | 1-1 |
| 25. 9.85 | Spain — Iceland | |

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Scotland | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 7 |
| Wales | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 6 | 7 |
| Spain | 5 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 7 | 7 | 6 |
| Iceland | 5 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 8 | 2 |

## CONCACAF — First round

### Group 1

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 29. 7.84 | El Salvador — Puerto Rico | 5-0 |
| 5. 8.84 | Puerto Rico — El Salvador | 0-3 |
| | El Salvador 8-0 on aggregate | |
| 16. 9.84 | Neth. Antilles — USA | 0-0 |
| 6.10.84 | USA — Neth. Antilles | 4-0 |
| | USA 4-0 on aggregate | |
| | Canada walkover Jamaica | |

### Group 2

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 15. 6.84 | Panama — Honduras | 0-3 |
| 24. 6.84 | Honduras — Panama | 1-0 |
| | Honduras 4-0 on aggregate | |
| | Costa Rica walkover Barbados | |

### Group 3

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 5. 8.84 | Antigua — Haiti | 0-4 |
| 18. 8.84 | Haiti — Antigua | 1-2 |
| | Haiti 5-2 on aggregate | |
| 15. 8.84 | Surinam — Guyana | 1-0 |
| 29. 8.84 | Guyana — Surinam | 1-1 |
| | Surinam 2-1 on aggregate | |
| | Trinidad/Tobago walkover Grenada | |

## Second round

### Group 1

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 24. 2.85 | El Salvador — Surinam | 3-0 |
| 27. 2.85 | Surinam — El Salvador | 0-3 |
| 3. 3.85 | Honduras — Surinam | 1-1 |
| 7. 3.85 | Surinam — Honduras | 1-2 |
| 10. 3.85 | El Salvador — Honduras | 1-2 |
| 14. 3.85 | Honduras — El Salvador | 0-0 |

### Group 2

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 24. 4.85 | Costa Rica — Trinidad/Tobago | 3-0 |
| 28. 4.85 | Trinidad/Tobago — Costa Rica | 1-1 |
| 15. 5.85 | US — Trinidad/Tobago | 2-1 |
| 19. 5.85 | Trinidad/Tobago — US | 0-1 |
| 26. 5.85 | Costa Rica — US | 1-1 |

# ESULTS

31. 5.85 US — Costa Rica 0-1
Costa Rica qualify

Group 3
13. 4.85 Canada — Haiti 2-0
20. 4.85 Canada — Guatemala 2-1
26. 4.85 Haiti — Guatemala 0-1
5. 5.85 Guatemala — Canada 1-1
8. 5.85 Haiti — Canada 0-2
15. 5.85 Guatemala — Haiti 4-0
Canada qualify

Third round
11. 8.85 Costa Rica — Honduras 2-2
17. 8.85 Canada — Costa Rica 1-1
25. 8.85 Honduras — Canada 0-1
1. 9.85 Costa Rica — Canada 0-0
8 .9.85 Honduras — Costa Rica 3-1
14. 9.85 Canada — Honduras 2-1
CANADA IN FINALS

SOUTH AMERICA
Group 1
26. 5.85 Colombia — Peru 1-0
26. 5.85 Venezuela — Argentina 2-3
2. 6.85 Colombia — Argentina 1-3
2. 6.85 Venezuela — Peru 0-1
9. 6.85 Peru — Colombia 0-0
9. 6.85 Argentina — Venezuela 3-0
16. 6.85 Peru — Venezuela 4-1
16. 6.85 Argentina — Colombia 1-0
23. 6.85 Venezuela — Colombia 2-2
23. 6.85 Peru — Argentina 1-0
30. 6.85 Colombia — Venezuela 2-0
30. 6.85 Argentina — Peru 2-2
ARGENTINA IN FINALS

Group 2
3. 3.85 Ecuador — Chile 1-1
10. 3.85 Uruguay — Ecuador 2-1
17. 3.85 Chile — Ecuador 6-2
24. 3.85 Chile — Uruguay 2-0
31. 3.85 Ecuador — Uruguay 0-2
7. 4.85 Uruguay — Chile 2-1
URUGUAY IN FINALS

Group 3 (Bolivia, Brazil, Paraguay)
26. 5.85 Bolivia — Paraguay 1-1
2. 6.85 Bolivia — Brazil 0-2
9. 6.85 Paraguay — Bolivia 3-0
16. 6.85 Paraguay — Brazil 0-2
23. 6.85 Brazil — Paraguay 1-1
30. 6.85 Brazil — Bolivia 1-1
BRAZIL IN FINALS

PLAY-OFF GROUP
27.10.85 Paraguay — Colombia
3.11.85 Colombia — Paraguay (A)
27.10.85 Chile — Peru
3.11.85 Peru — Chile (B)
10.11.85 Winners A — Winners B
17.11.85 Winners B — Winners A

AFRICA
First round
28. 8.84 Egypt — Zimbabwe 1-0
30. 9.84 Zimbabwe — Egypt 1-1
Egypt 2-1 on agg
13.10.84 Kenya — Ethiopia 2-1
28.10.84 Ethiopia — Kenya 3-3
Kenya 5-4 on agg
15. 7.84 Mauritius — Malawi 0-1
28. 7.84 Malawi — Mauritius 4-0
Malawi 5-0 on agg
29. 7.84 Zambia — Uganda 3-0
25. 8.84 Uganda — Zambia 1-0
Zambia 3-1 on agg
13.10.84 Tanzania — Sudan 1-1
27.10.84 Sudan — Tanzania 0-0
Sudan on away goals: 1-1 agg
30. 6.84 Sierra Leone — Morocco 0-1
15. 7.84 Morocco — Sierra Leone 4-0
Morocco 5-0 on agg
28.10.84 Benin — Tunisia 0-2
11.11.84 Tunisia — Benin 4-0
Tunisia 6-0 on agg
21.10.84 Ivory Coast — Gambia 4-0
4.11.84 Gambia — Ivory Coast 3-2
Ivory Coast 6-3 on agg
20.10.84 Nigeria — Liberia 3-0
3.11.84 Liberia — Nigeria 0-1
Nigeria 4-0 on agg
1. 7.84 Angola — Senegal 1-0
15. 7.84 Senegal — Angola 1-0
Angola 5-4 pens: 1-1 agg

Second round
7. 4.85 Zambia — Cameroon 4-1
21. 4.85 Cameroon — Zambia 1-1
Zambia 5-2 on agg
10. 2.85 Guinea — Tunisia 1-0
24. 2.85 Tunisia — Guinea 2-0
Tunisia 2-1 on agg
22. 2.85 Sudan — Libya 0-0
8. 3.85 Libya — Sudan 4-0
Libya 4-0 on agg
5. 4.85 Egypt — Madagascar 1-0
21. 4.85 Madagascar — Egypt 1-0
Egypt 3-2 on pens: agg 1-1
7. 4.85 Morocco — Malawi 2-0
21. 4.85 Malawi — Morocco 0-0
Morocco 2-0 on agg
31. 3.85 Angola — Algeria 0-0
19. 4.85 Algeria — Angola 3-2
Nigeria 6-1 on agg
6. 4.85 Kenya — Nigeria 0-3
20. 4.85 Nigeria — Kenya 3-1
Nigeria 6-1 on agg
7. 4.85 Ivory Coast — Ghana 0-0
21. 4.85 Ghana — Ivory Coast 2-0
Ghana 2-0 on agg

Third Round
13. 7.85 Algeria — Zambia 2-0
28. 7.85 Zambia — Algeria 0-1
Algeria 3-0 on agg
14. 7.85 Ghana — Libya 0-0
26. 7.85 Libya — Ghana 2-0
Libya 2-0 on agg
6. 7.85 Nigeria — Tunisia 1-0
20. 7.85 Tunisia — Nigeria 2-0
Tunisia 2-1 on agg
12. 7 85 Egypt — Morocco 0-0
28. 7.85 Morocco-Egypt 2-0
Morocco 2-0 on agg

OCEANIA
3. 9.85 Israel — Taiwan 6-0
8. 9.85 Taiwan — Israel 0-5
21. 9.85 New Zealand — Australia
5.10.85 New Zealand — Taiwan
8.10.85 Israel — Australia
12.10.85 Taiwan — New Zealand (in New Zealand)
20.10.85 Australia — Israel
23.10.85 Australia — Taiwan
26.10.85 New Zealand — Israel
27.10.85 Taiwan — Australia (in Australia)
3.11.85 Australia — New Zealand
10.11.85 Israel — New Zealand

ASIA
First round
Group 1 — Sub-Group
12. 4.85 Saudi Arabia — UAE 0-0
19. 4.85 UAE — Saudi Arabia 1-0
UAE 1-0 on agg (Oman withdrew)

Sub-Group B:
15. 3.85 Jordan — Qatar 1-0
29. 3.85 Jordan — Iraq 2-3
5. 4.85 Qatar — Iraq 3-0
12. 4.85 Qatar — Jordan 2-0
19. 4.85 Iraq — Jordan 2-0
5. 5.85 Iraq — Qatar 2-1
Iraq qual: Lebanon withdrew

Group 2
Sub-Group A:
22. 3.85 Syria — Kuwait 1-0
29. 3.85 Yemen AR — Syria 0-1
5. 4.85 Kuwait — Yemen AR 5-0
12. 4.85 Kuwait — Syria 0-0
19. 4.85 Syria — Yemen AR 3-0
26. 4.85 Yemen AR — Kuwait 1-3
Syria qualify
Sub-Group B:
29. 3.85 Yemen PDR — Bahrain 1-4
14. 4 85 Bahrain — Yemen PDR 3-3
Bahrain 7-4 on agg (Iran withdrew)

Group 3
Sub-Group A:
2. 3.85 Nepal — S. Korea 0-2
10. 3.85 Malaysia — S. Korea 1-0
16. 3.85 Nepal — Malaysia 0-0
31. 3.85 Malaysia — Nepal 5-0
6. 4.85 S. Korea — Nepal 4-0
19. 5.85 S. Korea — Malaysia 2-0
S. Korea qualify
Sub-Group B:
15. 3.85 Indonesia — Thailand 1-0
18. 3.85 Indonesia — Bangladesh 2-0
21. 3.85 Indonesia — India 2-1
23. 3.85 Thailand — Bangladesh 3-0
26. 3.85 Thailand — India 0-0
29. 3.85 Thailand — Indonesia 0-1
30. 3.85 Bangladesh — India 1-2
2. 4.85 Bangladesh — Indonesia 2-1
5. 4.85 Bangladesh — Thailand 1-0
6. 4.85 India — Indonesia 1-1
9. 4.85 India — Thailand 1-1
12. 4.85 India — Bangladesh 2-1
Indonesia qualify

Group 4
Sub-Group A:
17. 2.85 Macau — Brunei 2-0
17. 2.85 Hong Kong — China 0-0
20. 2.85 Macau — China 0-4
23. 2.85 Hong Kong — Brunei 8-0
26. 2.85 China — Brunei 8-0
1. 3.85 Brunei — China 0-4
6. 4.85 Brunei — Hong Kong 1-5
13. 4.85 Brunei — Macau 1-2
28. 4.85 Macau — Hong Kong 0-2
4. 5.85 Hong Kong — Macau 2-0
12. 5.85 China — Macau 6-0
19. 5.85 China — Hong Kong 1-2
Hong Kong qualify

Sub-Group B:
19. 1.85 Singapore — N. Korea 1-1
23. 2.85 Singapore — Japan 1-3
21. 3.85 Japan — N. Korea 1-0
30. 4.85 N. Korea — Japan 0-0
18. 5.85 Japan — Singapore 5-0
25. 5.85 N. Korea — Singapore 2-0
Japan qualify

Second round
21. 7.85 S. Korea — Indonesia 2-0
30. 7.85 Indonesia — S. Korea 1-4
S. Korea 6-1 on agg.
20. 9.85 UAE — Iraq
27. 9.85 Iraq — UAE
6. 9.85 Bahrain — Syria 1-1
20. 9.85 Syria — Bahrain
11. 8.85 Japan — Hong Kong 3-0
22. 9.85 Hong Kong — Japan

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# JOCK STEIN

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brush with death in '75 when he was involved in a car crash on the A74 while returning from holiday.

We all have our memories of this basically uncomplicated and dedicated professional. The many anecdotes have poured forth in print since his untimely death.

I will always remember his love of the game, his hunger for knowledge. Phones would ring in a newspaper office in Glasgow late at night and it would be Jock Stein on the line.

"How did Sampdoria do today? How was Graeme Souness?" he would enquire, keeping completely up to date on the form of his players. "What about Barcelona and Steve Archibald?"

His thoughts even took in English players in foreign parts. He always wanted to know what the opposition was up to. He needed to know. Everything.

**But he never contained his thoughts to international players. Only a week before his death, while he was plotting the World Cup downfall of Wales, he was to be seen at the unromantic setting of Kilbowie Park watching a reserve match between Clydebank and Dundee United.**

"You never know what might catch your eye", he said. Unfortunately, if he saw anything special that evening, it died with him. But he left so much more for us to savour.

I was in Cardiff the evening Jock Stein died. My thoughts were fairly mixed and scrambled when I first heard The Big Man had collapsed. Things like that just didn't happen to Jock Stein.

An ashen-faced photographer, close to the scene seconds after the final whistle when Stein pitched forward on to the turf, left me in no doubt as to the seriousness of the situation. His expression spoke volumes as he approached me.

There was the drama of an ambulance, siren blazing, trying to get through the thousands of singing, dancing fans, oblivious of the trauma unfolding inside the Ninian Park medical room.

Then, finally, the news came out. Jock Stein was no longer with us. And supporters, friends and acquaintances wept uncontrollably. A nation's delight immediately transformed to despair.

I know I will never forget the sadness etched in the face of a middle-aged tartan-bedecked fan when my associates and I returned to Paddington Station in London in the early hours on Wednesday morning.

The place was quite deserted, but a few fans milled around the public telephone, frantically trying to separate fact from rumour. Could it be true? Had Jock Stein indeed died during yet another moment of triumph?

The fan who wandered over in my direction fought back tears. "Jock Stein's dead", he muttered. "I've just 'phoned the wife . . . it's true . . . The Big Man's dead."

He was just another supporter, but he was the sort of man Stein, the general who really wanted to be a soldier, identified with. Success did not alter Jock Stein. He was never a flamboyant figure away from the football pitch.

His wardrobe consisted solely of grey and dark suits. There were no jazzy jackets or fancy ties. That was not for him. His only indulgence was in fast cars.

He loved his football and he loved the fans. "Give them what they want and they'll keep coming back", he would say. "We can't do without them. The day they stop turning up we can all pack it in."

It was a simple, as ever, philosophy. He never lost sight of his ambitions. He realised the significance and importance of getting the job done. And, like a true soldier, he died in the trenches.

The national anthem of the Scottish international supporters is 'O, Flower Of Scotland' and there is a line from that stirring, abundantly patriotic song that sums up Jock Stein.

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**Zaragoza: Final:** Zaragoza 0, Barcelona 2.

**Carranza** (Cadiz): **3rd:** Sevilla 1, Sarajevo 0. **Final:** Cadiz 1, Gremio 1 (Cadiz on penalties).

**Villa de Madrid: Final:** Atletico Madrid 2, Gremio 0.

**Santiago Bernabeu** (Madrid): **Final** (single match): Real Madrid 4, Bayern Munich 2.

**Barcelona: Final** (single match): Espanol 3, Real Madrid 5.

### WORLD UNDER-16 CHAMPIONSHIP (in China)

**Report in last month's edition**

**Group A:** China 1, Bolivia 1 — Guinea 1, US 0 — China 2, Guinea 1 — Bolivia 1, US 2 — China 3, US 1 — Bolivia 0, Guinea 3. **Gp B:** Australia 1, Argentina 0 — Congo 1, W Germany 4 — Australia 2, Congo 1 — Argentina 1, W Germany 1 — Australia 1, W Germany 0 — Argentina 4, Congo 2. **Gp C:** Saudi Arabia 4, Costa Rica 1 — Nigeria 1, Italy 0 — Saudi Arabia 0, Nigeria 0 — Costa Rica 0, Italy 2 — Saudi Arabia 3, Italy 1 — Costa Rica 0, Nigeria 3. **Gp D:** Qatar 1, Brazil 2 — Mexico 0, Hungary 0 — Qatar 1, Mexico 3 — Brazil 0, Hungary 1 — Qatar 0, Hungary 3 — Brazil 2, Mexico 0.

**Quarter finals:** China 2, W Germany 4 — Australia 0, Guinea 0 (2-4p) — Saudi Arabia 1, Brazil 2 — Hungary 1, Nigeria 3. **Semi-finals:** W Germany 4, Brazil 3 — Guinea 1, Nigeria 1 (2-4p). **3rd place:** Brazil 4, Guinea 1. **Final:** Nigeria 2, West Germany 0.

**Best player:** William de Oliveira (Brz). **Top scorer:** Marcel Witeczek (WG) 8 goals.

### WORLD CUP — CONCACAF 3rd round

**AUGUST 11**

**San Jose**
**Costa Rica 2** (Solano 19, Williams 81)
**Honduras 2** (Figueroa 8(pen), Betancourt 24)
**HT:** 1-2. **Att:** 30,000. **Ref:** Ed Bellion (USA)

**Costa Rica:** Gonzalez — Galagarza (Cayasso), Mills, Roger Flores, Salazar — Cheves, Solano, Chavarria — Williams, Coronado (Leony Flores), Arroyo.

**Honduras:** Arzu — Drummond, Costly, Villegas, Gutierrez — Toledo, Maradiaga, Yearwood — Wuitti (Laing), Figueroa, Betancourt.

Figueroa put Honduras ahead from the penalty spot in the eighth minute after Costa Rican defender Luis Galagarza handled the ball, but Alvaro Solano equalised for Costa Rica in the 19th minute following a corner. Five minutes later Porfirio Betancourt picked up the ball on the left, dribbled past the Costa Rican defence and hit a great shot past Gonzalez from 20 yards to score the best goal of the game. Costa Rica, who had most of the ball but lacked the penetration of the Hondurans, pressed hard for the equaliser and were rewarded in the 81st minute when Johnny Williams scored with a powerful right-footed drive.

**AUGUST 17**

**Toronto**
**Canada 1** (James 58)
**Costa Rica 1** (Williams 12)
**HT:** 0-1. **Att:** 13,486. **Ref:** Enrique Mendoza Guillen (Mexico)

**Canada:** Lettieri — Lenarduzzi, Bridge, Moore, Wilson — James, Ragan, Sweeney, Norman — Vrablic, Catliff (Garraway).

**Costa Rica:** Gonzalez — Cayasso, Mills, Roger Flores, Salazar — Chavarria, Solano, Chavez (Vargas) — Arroyo, Coronado (Leony Flores), Williams.

Costa Rica were the better team in the first half, more skilful, quicker on the ball and quicker into the tackle than Canada and took the lead after 12 minutes when a powerful clearance by Ian Bridge on the edge of his own penalty area hit Costa Rican winger Johnny Williams on the heel and flew past a startled Tino Lettieri. But Canada raised its game in the second half and in the 58th minute Igor Vrablic hit a beautiful inswinging centre from the left wing that was met perfectly by Paul James at the far post and he headed it down and past Gonzalez to level the scores. Five minutes from time James hit the post with another header and in the final minute Vrablic was brought down in the penalty area but the referee gave the free kick the other way.

**AUGUST 25**

**Tegucigalpa**
**Honduras 0**
**Canada 1** (Pakos 58)
**HT:** 0-0. **Att:** 55,000. **Ref:** Charles Marshall (Bermuda)

**Honduras:** Arzu — Drummond, Costly, Villegas, Gutierrez — Toledo (Muriello), Maradiaga, Yearwood — Caballero (Laing), Figueroa, Betancourt.

**Canada:** Lettieri — Lenarduzzi, Bridge, Moore, Wilson — James, Ragan, Sweeney, Norman — Vrablic (Samuel), Catliff (Pakos).

The first half was a dull affair with the slow build-up of the Hondurans being easily dealt with by the Canadian defence and Canada being caught offside by the Honduran defence. Lettieri didn't have one shot to save throughout the half and Arzu only a weak attempt by Vrablic. Being able to conserve their energy in the first half allowed the Canadians to raise the pace in the second and they were rewarded when Randy Ragan pounced on a poor clearance half way inside the Honduran half. He lobbed the ball forward to George Pakos who hit it first time left-footed on the volley from the edge of the penalty area to beat Arzu. Honduras should have equalised when Lettieri made a good save from Tony Laing only to see the ball run loose to Porfirio Betancourt who hammered the ball against the underside of the bar with Lettieri out of position. Late in the game Arzu made a good save from Pakos and a harmless-looking cross from Paul James hit the Honduran bar only to be scrambled away.

**SEPTEMBER 1**

**San Jose**
**Costa Rica 0**
**Canada 0**
**HT:** 0-0. **Att:** 31,000. **Ref:** Jose Carlos Ortiz (El Salvador)

**Costa Rica:** Rojas — Salazar (Ramirez), Hines, R. Flores, Segura — Cayasso, Solano (Contreras), Guimaraes — Arroyo, L. Flores, Williams.

**Canada:** Lettieri — Lenarduzzi, Bridge, Moore, Wilson — James (De Luca), Ragan, Sweeney, Norman — Vrablic (Samuel), Pakos.

Costa Rica, needing a win, attacked from the opening whistle and Bob Lenarduzzi quickly cleared from Solano. After seven minutes a free kick from Cayasso curled inches wide of the far post. Ragan had a great chance for Canada but was stopped at the last minute and then Lettieri made a great finger-tip save from Guimaraes.

The second half was largely one-way traffic but some outstanding goalkeeping by Lettieri and intelligent play by the Canadians kept the Costa Ricans out. Canada's task became even more difficult after 60 minutes when Sweeney was sent off for a foul on Ramirez. The Costa Ricans felt they should have had a penalty kick when Guimaraes fell in the penalty area during a race with Wilson but the referee waved play on. Some strategic substitutions late in the game by coach Tony Waiters helped Canada and at the final whistle they were attacking.

### SOUTH AMERICAN CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP LIBERTADORES CUP

**Group One — July 25**

**Argentinos Juniors (Argentina) 0**
**FC Oeste (Argentina) 1** (Gonzalez)
**HT:** 0-0. **Ref:** Loustau (Argentina)

**Argentinos Juniors:** Vidallé, Villalba, Pavoni, Olguin, Domenech, Videla, Batista, Commisso, Castro, Borghi, Ereros.

**FC Oeste:** Basigalup, Agonil, Cuper, Marchesini, Garré, Martin, Brandoni, Fantaguzzi, Gonzalez (Noremberg), Acosta (Crocco), Gargini.

**AUGUST 2**

**Vasco da Gama (Brazil) 1** (Mauricinho)
**Argentinos Juniors (Argentina) 2** (Ereros, Castro)
**HT:** 1-2. **Ref:** Cardellino (Uruguay)

**Vasco da Gama:** Acacio, Donato, Ivan, Nené, Edevaldo, Oliveira, Geovanni, Luis Carlos, Mauricinho, Roberto, Rómulo (Santos).

**Argentinos Juniors:** Vidallé, Villalba, Pavoni, Olguin, Domenech, Videla, Batista, Commisso (Lemme), Castro, Borghi (Lopez), Ereros.

**AUGUST 5**

**Fluminense (Brazil) 0**
**Argentinos Juniors (Argentina) 1** (Lemme)
**HT:** 0-0. **Ref:** Barreto (Uruguay)

**Fluminense:** Paulo Vitor, Aldo (sent off 84m), Duilio, Vica, Branco (sent off 71m), Delei (Leomir), Jandir, Assis, Romero, Washington, Tato.

**Argentinos Juniors:** Vidallé (Mendoza), Villalba, Pavoni, Olguin, Domenech, Videla, Batista, Commisso (Lemme), Castro (sent off 71m), Borghi, Ereros.

**AUGUST 6**

**FC Oeste (Argentina) 2** (Gonzalez 2)
**Vasco da Gama (Brazil) 0**
**HT:** 0-0. **Ref:** Cardellino (Uruguay)

**FC Oeste:** Basigalup, Agonil, Cuper, Marchesini, Garré, Fantaguzzi, Brandoni, Martin (Arregui), Gonzalez, Acosta, Gargini (Crocco).

**Vasco da Gama:** Acacio, Edevaldo, Ivan, Nené, Paulo Cesar, Oliveira (sent off 69m), Luis Carlos, Geovanni, Mauricinho (Gilberto), Roberto Dinamita, Romulo (Silvinho).

**AUGUST 9**

**Argentinos Juniors (Argentina) 2** (Borghi, Domenech)
**Vasco da Gama (Brazil) 2** (Silvinho 2)
**HT:** 1-2. **Ref:** Escobar (Paraguay)

**Argentinos Juniors:** Mendoza, Villalba (Deny Valdez), Pavoni, Olguin, Domenech, Lopez, Batista, Videla, Morete, Borghi, Ereros.

**Vasco da Gama:** Acacio, Edevaldo, Ivan, Nené, Paulo Cesar (sent off 90m), Luis Carlos, Victor, Geovanni, Mauricinho (sent off 65m), Roberto Dinamita, Silvinho (Gilberto).

**AUGUST 15**

**FC Oeste (Argentina) 1** (Gonzalez)
**Argentinos Juniors (Argentina) 3** (Fantaguzzi og, Pavoni, Borghi)
**HT:** 1-3. **Ref:** Gnecco (Argentina)

**FC Oeste:** Basigalup, Agonil, Cuper, Marchesini, Garré, Fantaguzzi, Brandoni, Martin, Gonzalez, Acosta, Gargini (Crocco). Sent off — Marchesini 53m, Garré 88m.

**Argentinos Juniors:** Mendoza, Villalba, Pavoni, Olguin, Domenech, Lemme, Batista, Videla, Morete (Pellegrini), Borghi (Corzi), Ereros.

**Fluminense (Brazil) 0**
**Vasco da Gama (Brazil) 0**
**HT:** 0-0. **Att:** 14,300. **Ref:** Felix (Brazi)

**Fluminense:** Paulo Vitor, Beto, Duilio, Vica, Renato, Jandir, Delei (Wilsinho), Assis, Romero, Washington, Tato (Paulinho).

**Vasco da Gama:** Acacio, Edevaldo, Donato, Nené, Ivan, Vitor, Geovanni, Oliveira, Santos, Silvinho, Gilberto (Romulo).

**Group One**

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Argentinos Juniors (Argen).... | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 5 | 7 |
| FC Oeste (Argentina)..... | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 4 |
| Vasco da Gama (Brazil)..... | 5 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 9 | 3 |
| Flumeninese (Brazil)..... | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 2 |

**Group Five**

**JULY 30**

**Sport Boys (Peru) 1** (Zuluaga)
**Nacional (Ecuador) 2** (Benitez 2)
**HT:** 0-1. **Ref:** Sergio Vasquez (Chile)

**Sport Boys:** Jaimes, Putriano, Requena, Matias, Espino, Lujan, Palacios, Zuluaga, Watson, La Torre, Vicente.

**Nacional:** Rodriguez, Narvaez, Armas, Nazareno, Maldonado, Granda, Villafuerte, Rohn, Mera, Benitez, Baldeon.

**Group Five (Final standings)**

| | P | W | D | L | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Nacional (Ecuador)..... | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 3 | 10 |
| Nueve de Octubre (Ecuador).. | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 4 |
| Universitario (Peru)..... | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 7 | 5 | 4 |
| Sport Boys (Peru)..... | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 14 | 0 |

● **Nacional qualify for semi-final round. Remaining three group matches cancelled as they had no bearing on standings.**

### NORTH AND CENTRAL AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

**Second round**

**1st leg — July 23**

**Vida (Honduras) 1 America (Mexico) 0**

**2nd leg — July 30**

**America (Mexico) 3** Alderete, Pelaez 2)
**Vida (Honduras) 0**

America 3-1 on aggregate.

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